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### Norms

#### Signal of the plan is sufficient

Michael Epstein 11, MSU College of Law, “Targeted Killing Court: Why the United States Needs To Adopt International Legal Standards for Targeted Killings and How to Do So in a Domestic Court,” SSRN, <http://papers.ssrn.com/sol3/paper-s.cfm?abstract_id=1809854&download=yes>, DOA: 1-16-14, Y2K

The Obama Administration has not indicated that it will halt or alter its current policy

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acting abroad are being held accountable when they do carry out targeted killings.

### 2AC---T---SS

#### Signature strikes allow for specific targeting---solves your offense.

William 13 Williams, University of Massachusetts Dartmouth Islamic studies professor 5-31-13 Brian Glyn, “Inside the Murky World of 'Signature Strikes' and the Killing of Americans With Drones” http://www.huffingtonpost.com/brian-glyn-williams/nside-the-murky-world-of-\_b\_3367780.html, accessed 1-7-14, y2k

An explanation of the difference between a "signature strike" and "personality strike

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vehicles of militants or compounds, eavesdropping on cell phone conversations, etc.).

#### AND-Meets Obama’s definition

Sledge 13 Matt Sledge is Huffington Post Staff, “Drone 'Signature Strike' Witness Responds To Obama Speech: 'I Don't Trust A Single Word,'” 06/19/2013, <http://www.huffingtonpost.com/2013/06/19/drone-signature-strike_n_3421586.html>

Such so-called "signature strikes" are one of the most controversial practices

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that drones sometimes make mistakes, but said their work must carry on.

#### Counter-interpretation---Targeted killing is the premeditated killing of suspected terrorist targets

Zilinskas 8 Justinas Žilinskas is Member at International Humanitarian Fact-Finding Commission Lithuania Education Management, “TARGETED KILLING UNDER INTERNATIONAL HUMANITARIAN LAW,” DOA: 9-18-13, y2k

2.3. Targeted Killing 2.3.1. Two elements This

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/persons) suspected of terrorism, with explicit or implicit governmental approval’.

#### 1) Signature strikes are the core aff---their interpretation over-limits and jacks aff ground.

Heller 12 Kevin Heller is Senior Lecturer @ Melbourne Law School, “‘One Hell of a Killing Machine’: Signature Strikes and International Law,” Melbourne Legal Studies Research Paper No. 634, DOA: 8-21-13, y2k

The available evidence indicates that the vast majority of drone strikes conducted by the CIA

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killed in signature strikes reminds him ‘of body counts in Vietnam’.11

#### 2) Limits explosion is inevitable---definition of targeted killing doesn’t exist---you should prefer real-world and contextual interpretation.

Sell 12 Daniel Sell, B.A. in History, Capital University, 2004; M.A. in Slavic & East European Studies, The Ohio State

University, 2008; J.D. Candidate, Capital University Law School, May 2013, “The United States’ Policy of Targeted Killing and the Use of Force: Another Exception to the United Nation’s Use of Force Regime, <http://papers.ssrn.com/sol3/papers.cfm?abstract_id=2167770>, DOA: 9-16-13, y2k

A. Defining “Targeted Killing” One overarching problem that exists when writing on

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gunships, drones, the use of car bombs, and poison.”33

### 2AC Executive Restraint CP

#### Perm do both---Congressional targeted killing policy creates checks and balances and political consensus- ensures solvency and resolves link to politics

Peter M. Cullen, 2008, (Colonel, Staff Judge Advocate) The Role of Targeted Killing in the Campaign Against Terror, [Joint Force Quarterly](http://www.dtic.mil/doctrine/jel/jfq_pubs/index.htm), http://www.army.mil/professionalWriting/volumes/volume6/march\_2008/3\_08\_1\_pf.html

Some have even argued that there should be legislative authorization for any policy of targeted

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accurate intelligence, they will become an even more potent weapon against transnational terrorism

#### CP causes rollback

[Spencer Ackerman](http://www.wired.com/dangerroom/author/spencer_ackerman/), 5/29/13 (Defense reporter for Wired), New Drone Strike Undercuts Obama’s Promises on Robot War, http://www.wired.com/dangerroom/2013/05/drone-strike-restrictions/

It took all of six days for President Obama to undermine his own new rules

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. That’s shaping up to be the truest line in the president’s speech.

#### Doesn’t solve the signaling---only congressional involvement solves

Goldsmith 13 Jack Goldsmith is the Henry L. Shattuck Professor at Harvard Law School, where he teaches and writes about national security law, presidential power, cybersecurity, international law, internet law, foreign relations law, and conflict of laws. Professor Goldsmith served as Assistant Attorney General, Office of Legal Counsel from 2003–2004, and Special Counsel to the Department of Defense from 2002–2003. Professor Goldsmith is a member of the Hoover Institution Task Force on National Security, “Why the Administration Needs to Get Congress on Board for Its Stealth War,” 3-7-13, <http://www.lawfareblog.com/2013/03/why-the-administration-needs-to-get-congress-on-board-for-its-stealth-war/> DOA: 9-12-13, y2k

There is a connection between Senator Paul’s filibuster and the need for a comprehensive renewal

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at that point the administration will wish it had gone to Congress sooner.

#### Links to politics---Congress will backlash to executive power

Hallowell 13 Billy Hallowell, writer for The Blaze, B.A. in journalism and broadcasting from the College of Mount Saint Vincent in Riverdale, New York and an M.S. in social research from Hunter College in Manhattan, “HERE’S HOW OBAMA IS USING EXECUTIVE POWER TO BYPASS LEGISLATIVE PROCESS” Feb. 11, 2013, <http://www.theblaze.com/stories/2013/02/11/heres-how-obamas-using-executive-power-to-bylass-legislative-process-plus-a-brief-history-of-executive-orders/>

“In an era of polarized parties and a fragmented Congress, the opportunities to

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the U.S., effectively blocking Obama’s plan to shutter the jail.

#### Executive transparency fails—not legally binding, no cred, raises expectations

Sarah Knuckey, NYU Law School Project on Extrajudicial Executions Director, Special Advisor to the UN Special Rapporteur on extrajudicial executions, 10/1/13, Transparency on Targeted Killings: Promises Made, but Little Progress, justsecurity.org/2013/10/01/transparency-targeted-killings-promises-made-progress/

Some interpreted these efforts and the President’s speech to mark the beginning of improved transparency

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had “expanded the scope” of who could be targeted in Yemen).

### 2AC – CP – Commission

#### The CP preserves the president’s ability to act unilaterally--- doesn’t solve our rulemaking internal link to modeling

Buchanan, ’13 (Bruce, Professor in Government at the University of Texas at Austin, Presidential Power and Accountability: Toward a Presidential Accountability System, Routledge, p. 145, RSR)

The gravity of the choice (in the fictional case below, the options are

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traditional presidential power to act unilaterally in time-sensitive emergencies and crises.

#### Prolif causes Armenia-Azerbaijan conflict.

Global Post 12 “Drone violence along Armenian-Azerbaijani border could lead to war,” 10-23-12, <http://www.globalpost.com/dispatch/news/regions/europe/121022/drone-violence-along-armenian-azerbaijani-border-could-lead-war>, DOA: 7-20-13, y2k

27 years off and on over the past three decades. “Everyone is now

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] will not be small. That’s the one thing I’m sure of.”

#### Azerbaijan-Armenian conflict causes World War III and great-power escalation

Cecire 12 Michael Hikari Cecire is a Black Sea and Eurasia regional analyst and an associate scholar at the Foreign Policy Research Institute, "Azerbaijan-Armenia Tensions: Regional Risks, Policy Challenges," 6-12-12, <http://www.worldpoliticsreview.com/articles/12046/azerbaijan-armenia-tensions-regional-risks-policy-challenges>, DOA: 7-20-12, y2k

With U.S. Secretary of State Hillary Clinton on a tour of the

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but one with far greater potential for escalation and great-power intervention.

#### Drones kill US-EU relations

Dworkin 13 Anthony Dworking is a senior policy fellow @ European Council on Foreign Relations, "Actually, drones worry Europe more than spying," 7-17-13, http://globalpublicsquare.blogs.cnn.com/2013/07/17/actually-drones-worry-europe-more-than-spying/ DOA: 7-22-13, y2k

Relations between the United States and Europe hit a low point following revelations that Washington

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of weapon, before the regular use of drones spreads across the globe.

#### Extinction

Stivachtis 10 Dr. Yannis A. Stivachtis, Director, International Studies Program, Virginia Polytechnic Institute & State University, 2010, “THE IMPERATIVE FOR TRANSATLANTIC COOPERATION,” online: http://www.rieas.gr/research-areas/global-issues/transatlantic-studies/78.html

There is no doubt that US-European relations are in a period of transition

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of threats is clearly perceived by publics on both sides of the Atlantic.

### 2AC – Iran

#### Uniqueness overwhelms the link – all opponents have backed off

Heeley, Center for Arms Control and Non-Proliferation Senior Policy Analyst, 2-7, 2014,

(Laicie, "Supporters continue to back off on Iran sanctions vote", Nukes of Hazard, PAS) [www.nukesofhazardblog.com/story/2014/2/7/151950/4169](http://www.nukesofhazardblog.com/story/2014/2/7/151950/4169) 2-9-14

Sen. Robert Menendez, Chairman of SFRC, took to the Senate floor yesterday

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a bill that runs the risk of derailing the positive progress we’ve made.

#### PC Not key

Kampeas 1/29 Groups opposing new Iran sanctions team up, RON KAMPEAS, January 29, 2014, http://www.timesofisrael.com/groups-opposing-new-iran-sanctions-team-up/

WASHINGTON (JTA) — A loose coalition of advocacy groups and policy experts,

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the past, in part because of the advocacy of the coalition members.

#### Drone restrictions now---thumps the DA

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In the last ten days, an interesting controversy has bubbled up over congressional control

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fund the program, even as they distance themselves from the program now.

#### Plan causes agenda crowd-out---kills the vote on Iran

Donna Cassata 13 is AP Staff Reporter, “Health care dispute could delay Iran sanctions,” 11-15-13, <http://www.morningjournal.com/general-news/20131115/health-care-dispute-could-delay-iran-sanctions>, DOA: 1-17-14, y2k

A Senate delay over an unrelated health care issue could be the silver lining for

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more time — without new sanctions — to pursue a deal with Iran.

#### Nuclear Iran is inevitable

Jennifer Rubin 2/7 “Menendez’s blasts Obama’s Iran policy,” 2-7-14, <http://www.washingtonpost.com/blogs/right-turn/wp/2014/02/07/menendezs-blasts-obamas-iran-policy/> DOA: 2-7-14, y2k

The administration has a big problem on Iran. It has for now successfully fended

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the one thing he was desperate to avoid — a Middle East war.

#### No U.S./China war

Global Times 11 11/15, “Sino-US war unlikely but not impossible,” http://www.globaltimes.cn/NEWS/tabid/99/ID/684012/Sino-US-war-unlikely-but-not-impossible.aspx

A recent report released by the RAND Corporation, a US think tank specializing in

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that diplomats will be able to work out the major issues without war.

#### No econ impact

Jervis 11 Robert Jervis, Professor in the Department of Political Science and School of International and Public Affairs at Columbia University, December 2011, “Force in Our Times,” Survival, Vol. 25, No. 4, p. 403-425

Even if war is still seen as evil, the security community could be dissolved

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times bring about greater economic conflict, it will not make war thinkable.

#### Trade doesn’t solve war

Martin et al 8Phillipe, University of Paris 1 Pantheon—Sorbonne, Paris School of Economics, and Centre for Economic Policy Research; Thierry MAYER, University of Paris 1 Pantheon—Sorbonne, Paris School of Economics, CEPII, and Centre for Economic Policy Research, Mathias THOENIG, University of Geneva and Paris School of Economics, The Review of Economic Studies 75

Does globalization pacify international relations? The “liberal” view in political science argues

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, even taking into account the increase in the number of sovereign states.

### 2AC---DA---TK

#### Prefer consensus---signature strikes strengthens insurgency

Glaser 12 John Glaser, House Members Call on Obama to Legally Justify ‘Signature’ Drone Strikes, 6-13-12, <http://news.antiwar.com/2012/06/13/house-members-call-on-obama-to-legally-justify-signature-drone-strikes/> DOA: 9-3-13, y2k

“We are concerned that the use of such ‘signature’ strikes could raise the

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. applies its current policy, the stronger Al Qaeda seems to get.”

#### No collapse of programs---drone usage is inevitable

Zenko 13 Micah Zenko is CFR Douglas Dillon Fellow in the Center for Preventive Action, “Reforming U.S. Drone Strike Policies,” January, Council of Foreign Relations, <http://www.cfr.org/wars-and-warfare/reforming-us-drone-strike-policies/p29736>, Accessed Date: 6-4-13 y2k

Compared to other military tools, the advantages of using drones— particularly, that

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more likely policy option compared to capturing suspected militants or other nonmilitary options.

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#### It’s pre-meditated.

Hu, Visiting Duke Law Professor, 2013,

(Margaret, "Roundtable on Regulating Assisted Reproductive Technolgy 2012: Article: Biometric ID Cybersurveillance", Indiana Law Journal, 88 Ind. L.J. 1475, Fall, PAS) Accessed on LexisNexis 9-21-13

n95 Due to the covert nature of these operations, …tory.html

#### Anderson changed his minds---signature strikes is T

Kenneth Anderson 13, Professor of International Law at American University, June 2013, “The Case for Drones,” Commentary, Vol. 135, No. 6

ARE DRONE TECHNOLOGY AND TARGETED KILLING really so strategically valuable? The answer depends in

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order to pick the moment when there might be the fewest civilian casualties.

### Solvency

#### A2: Burecracy

Hudson et al 13 Leila Hudson is associate professor of anthropology and history in the School of Middle Eastern & North African Studies at the University of Arizona and director of the Southwest Initiative for the Study of Middle East Conflicts (SISMEC). Colin Owens and Matt Flannes are graduate students in the School of Middle Eastern & North African Studies and the School of Government and Public Policy at the University of Arizona. Both work as research associates for the Southwest Initiative for the Study of Middle East Conflicts (SISMEC). “Drone Warfare: Blowback from the New American Way of War,” <http://www.mepc.org/journal/middle-east-policy-archives/drone-warfare-blowback-new-american-way-war>, DOA: 7-18-13, y2k

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and makes the task of U.S. diplomats more difficult.24

### Politics

#### Nuclear primacy checks

Lieber and Press 6 Keir A., Assistant Professor of Political Science – Notre Dame and Daryl G., Associate Professor of Political Science – University of Pennsylvania, Foreign Affairs, March / April, Lexis

For almost half a century, the world's most powerful nuclear states have been locked

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other states and fear an emboldened and unconstrained United States, will worry.

#### Trade will never collapse

Ikenson 9 Daniel, associate director of the Center for Trade Policy Studies at the Cato Institute, “ A Protectionism Fling: Why Tariff Hikes and Other Trade Barriers Will Be Short-Lived,” March 12, 2009, http://www.cato.org/pub\_display.php?pub\_id=10651

Although some governments will dabble in some degree of protectionism, the combination of a

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far more impressive than when governments attempt to limit choices through policy constraints.

#### AND- They will outweigh the link

David Weigel 1/29 is Slate Staff Writer, “How Hubris (and J Street) Stalled the Iran Sanctions Bill,” 1-29-14, <http://www.slate.com/blogs/weigel/2014/01/29/how_hubris_and_j_street_stalled_the_iran_sanctions_bill.html?wpisrc=burger_bar>, DOA: 1-31-14, y2k

This morning, after the State of the Union, Delaware Sen. Chris Coons

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. The message was the same: Have you guys read this thing?

#### B. Congressman Shultz solves

Nathan Guttman 1/21, Political Analyst for the Jewish Daily Forward, 2014, Debbie Wasserman Schultz Squeezed Hard as Iran Sanctions Fight Heats Up, http://forward.com/articles/191261/debbie-wasserman-schultz-squeezed-hard-as-iran-san/?p=all

WASHINGTON — As Jewish groups push Congress to increase sanctions on Iran —and President

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predicted Wexler, “Debbie will come out of this debate just fine.”