# 1AC

## 1AC --- Terrorism

#### Contention \_\_ : Terrorism

#### Signature strikes undermine counter-terrorism---causes civilian casualties and kills Yemeni legitimacy---shift to high-value targeting solves

Emker 13 Analyzing the US Counterterrorism Strategy in Yemen, Stacey Emker, Master’s candidate at the Whitehead School of Diplomacy and International Relations, JANUARY 14, 2013, https://blogs.shu.edu/diplomacy/2013/01/analyzing-the-us-counterterrorism-strategy-in-yemen/

The United States has placed great emphasis on fighting the militant Islamic group based in

AND

of President Hadi to target only key, local Yemeni leaders of AQAP.

#### Blowback theory is true

John Glaser 12 is Editor of Antiwar.com, “Is ‘Drone Blowback’ Really a Fallacy?” 7-2-12, <http://antiwar.com/blog/2012/07/02/is-drone-blowback-really-a-fallacy/> DOA: 3-23-14, y2k

In Foreign Affairs, Christopher Swift attempts to debunk what he calls the “drone

AND

of anti-American sentiment. And the Yemen situation is still evolving.

#### Statistical research concludes---drones cause retaliatory violence

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

Between 2004 and 2009, our research and databases compiled by others document a dramatic

AND

sentiment, which may force sudden policy adjustments by political and military actors.

#### AQAP has the intent to attack

Cilluffo et al 13 Subcommittee Hearing: Understanding the Threat to the Homeland from AQAP, September 18, 2013, Mr. Frank J. Cilluffo, Associate Vice President, Director, Homeland Security Policy Institute, The George Washington University, Ms. Katherine Zimmerman, Senior Analyst, The American Enterprise Institute, Mr. Brian Katulis, Senior Fellow, Center for American Progress, http://www.securityassistance.org/content/understanding-threat-homeland-aqap#sthash.0ztnhYSX.dpuf

Yet to do so would be a real mistake. Notwithstanding the importance of Syria

AND

up on ahead of time, when we are still left of boom.

#### Nuclear terrorism is feasible and likely

Bunn et al. 13 "Steps to Prevent Nuclear Terrorism," Paper, Belfer Center for Science and International Affairs, Harvard Kennedy School, October 2, 2013, Matthew Bunn. Professor of the Practice of Public Policy at Harvard Kennedy School and Co-Principal Investigator of Project on Managing the Atom at Harvard University’s Belfer Center for Science and International Affairs. • Vice Admiral Valentin Kuznetsov (retired Russian Navy). Senior research fellow at the Institute for U.S. and Canadian Studies of the Russian Academy of Sciences, Senior Military Representative of the Russian Ministry of Defense to NATO from 2002 to 2008. • Martin Malin. Executive Director of the Project on Managing the Atom at the Belfer Center for Science and International Affairs. • Colonel Yuri Morozov (retired Russian Armed Forces). Professor of the Russian Academy of Military Sciences and senior research fellow at the Institute for U.S. and Canadian Studies of the Russian Academy of Sciences, chief of department at the Center for Military-Strategic Studies at the General Staff of the Russian Armed Forces from 1995 to 2000. • Simon Saradzhyan. Fellow at Harvard University’s Belfer Center for Science and International Affairs, Moscow-based defense and security expert and writer from 1993 to 2008. • William Tobey. Senior fellow at Harvard University’s Belfer Center for Science and International Affairs and director of the U.S.-Russia Initiative to Prevent Nuclear Terrorism, deputy administrator for Defense Nuclear Nonproliferation at the U.S. National Nuclear Security Administration from 2006 to 2009. • Colonel General Viktor Yesin (retired Russian Armed Forces). Leading research fellow at the Institute for U.S. and Canadian Studies of the Russian Academy of Sciences and advisor to commander of the Strategic Missile Forces of Russia, chief of staff of the Strategic Missile Forces from 1994 to 1996. • Major General Pavel Zolotarev (retired Russian Armed Forces). Deputy director of the Institute for U.S. and Canadian Studies of the Russian Academy of Sciences, head of the Information and Analysis Center of the Russian Ministry of Defense from1993 to 1997, section head - deputy chief of staff of the Defense Council of Russia from 1997 to 1998, <http://belfercenter.ksg.harvard.edu/publication/23430/steps_to_prevent_nuclear_terrorism.html>

I. Introduction In 2011, Harvard’s Belfer Center for Science and International Affairs and

AND

the intention to acquire and use nuclear weapons is as strong as ever.

#### Extinction

Owen B. Toon 7, chair of the Department of Atmospheric and Oceanic Sciences at CU-Boulder, et al., April 19, 2007, “Atmospheric effects and societal consequences of regional scale nuclear conflicts and acts of individual nuclear terrorism,” online: <http://climate.envsci.rutgers.edu/pdf/acp-7-1973-2007.pdf>

To an increasing extent, people are congregating in the world’s great urban centers,

AND

should be carried out as well for the present scenarios and physical outcomes.

#### US will retaliate---goes nuclear

Lt. Col. Harry Conley 3 is chief of the Systems Analysis Branch, Directorate of Requirements, Headquarters Air Combat Command (ACC), Langley AFB, Virginia. Air & Space Power Journal, <http://www.airpower.maxwell.af.mil/airchronicles/apj/apj03/spr03/conley.html>, Accessed Date: 2-14-13 y2k

The number of American casualties suffered due to a WMD attack may well be the

AND

be more than just a possibility, whatever promises had been made.”48

## 1AC --- Proliferation

#### Contention \_\_ : Proliferation

#### SQ Collapses norms on violence- now is key

Whibley 13 The Proliferation of Drone Warfare: The Weakening of Norms and International Precedent, James Whibley received a M.A. in International Relations from Victoria University of Wellington, New Zealand in 2012, His research is soon to be published in Intelligence and National Security, February 6th, 2013,

http://journal.georgetown.edu/2013/02/06/the-proliferation-of-drone-warfare-the-weakening-of-norms-and-international-precedent-by-james-whibley/

If drones are destined to proliferate, the more important issue may become whether American

AND

, then surely China or Russia possessing such a program would be terrifying.

#### Establishing high-value target norms is key

David L. Knoll 12 is a freelance defense analyst. He is a doctoral candidate in International Relations at the Fletcher School of Law & Diplomacy at Tufts University. “Will America's Addiction to Drone Strikes Backfire? The over-use of armed UAVs sets a dangerous precedent as more nations acquire the technology.” 10-23-12, <http://thediplomat.com/2012/10/ok-drone-the-global-proliferation-of-uavs/> DOA: 2-11-14, y2k

In the first Persian Gulf War, a small group of Iraqi soldiers famously surrendered

AND

contribute to rather than detract from U.S. and global security.

#### Empirics prove drones norms would be effective

Zenko 13 Reforming U.S. Drone Strike Policies, Micah Zenko, Douglas Dillon fellow in the Center for Preventive Action (CPA) at the Council on Foreign Relations (CFR). Previously, he worked for five years at the Harvard Kennedy School and in Wash- ington, DC, at the Brookings Institution, Congressional Research Ser- vice, and State Department’s Office of Policy Planning, Council Special Report, No. 65 January 2013

History shows that how states adopt and use new military capabili- ties is often

AND

should be informed by comparable efforts in the realms of cyber and space.

#### Statutory restrictions are key

Mark David Maxwell 12, Colonel, Judge Advocate with the U.S. Army, Winter 2012, TARGETED KILLING, THE LAW, AND TERRORISTS, Joint Force Quarterly, http://www.ndu.edu/press/targeted-killing.html

The weakness of this theory is that it is not codified in U.S

AND

eschews what gives a state its greatest safety: the rule of law.

#### Turkey models US drone policies---causes failed intervention to strike PKK

Aaron Stein 12 is a Ph.D candidate at King’s College, London and the Nonproliferation Program Director at the Center for Economics and Foreign Policy Studies an independent think tank in Istanbul. “Flying Blind: Why Armed Drones May Detract from Turkish Security,” <http://www.e-ir.info/2012/06/27/flying-blind-why-armed-drones-may-detract-from-turkish-security/> DOA: 1-11-14, y2k

Eager to land the decisive blow in its long-standing battle with its Kurdish

AND

is serious about its pledges to increase minority rights and deepen Turkish democracy.

#### That escalates to a full-scale war and kills Turkish soft-power

Sinan Ulgen 13 is Visiting Scholar @ Carnegie Europe, “Erdogan’s Kurdish Gambit,” 4-11-13, <http://carnegieeurope.eu/publications/?fa=51503>, DOA: 1-15-14, y2k

Conflict in the Middle East threatens not only the security of many of its states

AND

cites the PKK leader as threatening the government with full-scale war.

#### Resurgent PKK guerilla attacks cause regional escalation

Patrick Cockburn 13 is Foreign Commentator of the Year @ Independent (Editorial Intelligence Comment Awards 2013), “After decades of war, can the Kurds finally find peace?” 5-6-13, <http://www.independent.co.uk/news/world/middle-east/after-decades-of-war-can-the-kurds-finally-find-peace-8605190.html>, DOA: 1-15-14, y2k

On Wednesday, some 2,000 Turkish Kurd guerrillas will begin their withdrawal from

AND

its Kurdish minority, but this does not mean it will do so.

#### Causes great power war

Gulriz Cokcek 2 is Faculty @ Dept. of Pol Sci, UC Santa Barbara, “Ethnic Conflict and Interstate War: An Analysis of the Kurdish Problem” Prepared for presentation at the International Studies Association Annual Meeting, <http://isanet.ccit.arizona.edu/noarchive/gokcek.html>, DOA: 1-15-14, y2k

The tensions over the Kurdish conflict, which eventually escalated to the brink of war

AND

the Arabs, Persians, and Turks, a viable solution is needed.

#### Successful peace talks key to EU membership, economic growth

Al Jazeera, 22 Oct 2013

PKK threatens to renew fight in Turkey, http://www.aljazeera.com/news/europe/2013/10/pkk-threatens-renew-fight-turkey-201310226444407255.html

Negotiations with the PKK were unthinkable until only a few years ago and Recep Tayyip

AND

human-rights record, held back its EU candidacy and undermined economic growth

#### Turkey’s accession solves extinction

Egemen Bagis and Louis Michel, December 12, 2011

(Turkey's minister for European affairs and its chief negotiator in the accession talks. Louis Michel is a liberal Belgian MEP), Turkey and EU membership: a win-win situation, EU Observer, http://euobserver.com/opinion/114603

Enlargement is, first and foremost, a political goal of the EU aiming at

AND

democracy. The EU should encourage these efforts, not evade its commitments.

#### PLAN: The United States Federal Government should ban signature strikes carried out by Remotely-Piloted Vehicles.

## 1AC --- Solvency

#### Contention \_\_ : Solvency

#### Congress makes drones effective

Chehab 12 Ahmad, Georgetown University Law Center, Retrieving the Role of Accountability in the Targeted Killings Context: A Proposal for Judicial Review

The practical, pragmatic justification for the COAACC derives largely from considering social psychological findings

AND

choices and evaluate available alternatives than when subject to little to no review.

#### Restraint is key to sustainability of the drones program

Zenko 13 Reforming U.S. Drone Strike Policies, Micah Zenko, Douglas Dillon fellow in the Center for Preventive Action (CPA) at the Council on Foreign Relations (CFR). Previously, he worked for five years at the Harvard Kennedy School and in Wash- ington, DC, at the Brookings Institution, Congressional Research Ser- vice, and State Department’s Office of Policy Planning, Council Special Report, No. 65 January 2013

The choice the United States faces is not between unfettered drone use and sacrificing freedom

AND

the human intelligence networks on the ground that are critical for identifying targets.

#### Congressional ban pressures Obama and mobilizes public resistance against signature strikes

Naiman 12 Robert Naiman is policy director at Just Foreign Policy and president of Truthout's board of directors. “A Reformist Strategy to Downsize the Drone Strike Policy,” 11-27-12, <http://truth-out.org/opinion/item/12987-a-reformist-strategy-to-downsize-the-drone-strike-policy>, DOA: 8-13-13, y2k

I want to talk about what Congress could do about drone strikes in the next

AND

strikes could be a price imposed for confirmation of the next CIA head.

#### That checks intervention

Howell & Pevehouse 8 William G. Howell is an award-winning American political scientist and Sydney Stein Professor in American Politics at the University of Chicago Harris School of Public Policy Studies—AND—Jon C. Pevehouse is Associate Professor of Political Science at the University of Wisconsin–Madison, “While Dangers Gather : Congressional Checks on Presidential War Powers,” 2008, Princeton, NJ, USA: Princeton University Press, 2008. DOA: 12-26-13, y2k

Congressional dissent also may influence the public’s willingness to back the president during the lead

AND

for the operation and adjusted its strategic decision making to minimize public backlash.

#### Congress will enforce restriction---most recent defense appropriation proves

Jon Bellinger 1/26 is a partner in the international and national security law practices at Arnold & Porter LLP in Washington, DC. He is also Adjunct Senior Fellow in International and National Security Law at the Council on Foreign Relations. He served as The Legal Adviser for the Department of State from 2005–2009, as Senior Associate Counsel to the President and Legal Adviser to the National Security Council at the White House from 2001–2005, and as Counsel for National Security Matters in the Criminal Division of the Department of Justice from 1997–2001. “Congressional Control of Intelligence Programs (sometimes),” 1-26-14, <http://www.lawfareblog.com/2014/01/congressional-control-of-intelligence-programs-sometimes/> DOA: 1-31-14, y2k

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

AND

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

#### Oversight capabilities are effective

Sorcher 13 Sara Sorcher is National Journal Staff, “National Security Insiders: It's Possible for Congress to Oversee Drone Program.” 3-30-13, <http://www.nationaljournal.com/insiders-polls/nationalsecurity/national-security-insiders-it-s-possible-for-congress-to-oversee-drone-program-20130311>, Accessed Date: 7-8-13 y2k

Sixty-one percent of National Journal's National Security Insiders say it's possible for members

AND

, and these skills will be applicable to ensuring accountability of drone strikes.”

# 2AC

## Yemen

### I/L: SS Bad --- 2AC

#### Specifically, Signature strikes fail in Yemen---high-value targeting solves stability and AQAP

Johnsen 13 Gregory Johnsen, a former Fulbright Fellow in Yemen, is currently a Ph.D. candidate in Near Eastern Studies at Princeton University. Johnsen has written for a variety of publications on Yemen including, among others, Foreign Policy, The American Interest, The Independent, The Boston Globe, and The National. “How to Beat Al-Qaeda in Yemen,” 8-15-13, <http://www.bloomberg.com/news/2013-08-15/how-to-beat-al-qaeda-in-yemen.html>, DOA: 9-6-13, y2k

Somewhere in Yemen are about two dozen individuals whom the U.S. is

AND

, it’s long past time to start putting those advantages to better use.

#### Leadership decapitation is effective

Lynn-Jones 12 Sean M. Lynn-Jones is Editor of International Security, the International Security Program's quarterly journal, and Belfer Center Studies in International Security published by MIT, “Do Drone strikes on Al-Qaida make us safer?”, Power and Policy, 6-8-12, <http://www.powerandpolicy.com/2012/06/08/do-us-drone-strikes-on-al-qaida-make-us-safer/#.UfttvmTwLGA>, DOA: 8-14-13, y2k

Does killing the leaders of terrorist groups make the United States more secure? Is

AND

target in its calculation that the benefits of decapitation strikes outweigh the costs.

#### Low level targets are not a threat to the US and too easily replaced for drones to be effective.

Adam Baron, August 12, 2013

Yemenis exasperated with US focus on beheading Al Qaeda;
(correspondent) With Yemen yet again in the news last week because of the local Al Qaeda group, Yemenis want the US to begin addressing what they consider their real problems. Christian Science Monitor, Lexis

Higher ranking operatives may dominate the minds of those who have cast AQAP as a

AND

, in addition to that, they're very, very easy to replace."

#### Low level targeting in Yemen fuels AQAP strength

Miller 12 White House approves broader Yemen drone campaign, Greg Miller, April 25, 2012, http://www.washingtonpost.com/world/national-security/white-house-approves-broader-yemen-drone-campaign/2012/04/25/gIQA82U6hT\_story.html

The United States has begun launching drone strikes against suspected al-Qaeda operatives in

AND

We are very concerned about AQAP. It’s the most active operational franchise.”

## Norms

### Norms Key

#### SQ drone strikes collapses norms on use of force---robust IR theory and empirics conclude that US leverage solves---re-establishing high-value target norm is key---prevents the notion of unrestricted warfare unique to drones that prevents escalation. That’s Whibley, Zenko, and and Knoll.

#### Turkey specifically models US CT policies---causes intervention to PKK insurgents. That’s Stein.

#### China models US drones

Scott Shane 11 is a national security correspondent for the NYT, “Coming Soon: The Drone Arms Race,” October 8, 2011, <http://www.nytimes.com/2011/10/09/sunday-review/coming-soon-the-drone-arms-race.html?pagewanted=all&_r=0>, Accessed Date: 6-28-13 y2k

AT the Zhuhai air show in southeastern China last November, Chinese companies startled some

AND

Then it was armed and everywhere. That is the path we’re on.”

#### Causes Asian intability

Dr. Elizabeth Van Wie Davis 8 is division director and professor of liberal arts and international studies at Colorado School of Mines, 2008, "Uyghur Muslim Ethnic Separatism in Xinjiang, China," Asian Affairs: An American Review, 2008, Vol. 35, Issue 1, pg. 15-30, ebsco

Alternative Futures¶ The scenario most worrisome to the Chinese would be the Uyghur Muslim

AND

a fragmenting China. Political instability in China would impact all of Asia.

#### Asian war goes nuclear---no defense---interdependence and institutions don’t check

Mohan 13 C. Raja Mohan is distinguished fellow at the Observer Research Foundation in New Delhi, March 2013, Emerging Geopolitical Trends and Security in the Association of Southeast Asian Nations, the People’s Republic of China, and India (ACI) Region,” background paper for the Asian Development Bank Institute study on the Role of Key Emerging Economies, <http://www.iadb.org/intal/intalcdi/PE/2013/10737.pdf>

Three broad types of conventional conflict confront Asia. The first is the prospect of

AND

geographic scope and the normative basis for a future security order in Asia.

#### Causes Indo-Pak conflicts---impact defense doesn’t apply

Boyle 13 Michael J. Boyle is Assistant Professor of Political Science @ La Salle University, “The costs and consequences of drone warfare,” <http://www.chathamhouse.org/sites/default/files/public/International%20Affairs/2013/89_1/89_1Boyle.pdf>, International Affairs 89: 1 (2013) 1–29, Accessed Date: 6-4-13 y2k

A second consequence of the spread of drones is that many of the traditional concepts

AND

nuclear powers, thus magnifying the risks of a spiral of conflict between them

#### Extinction

Chaffin 11 Greg Chaffin 11 Research Assistant at Foreign Policy in Focus, July 8, 2011, “Reorienting U.S. Security Strategy in South Asia,” online: <http://www.fpif.org/articles/reorienting_us_security_strategy_in_south_asia>

The greatest threat to regional security (although curiously not at the top of most

AND

well lead to all-out war between the two that could quickly escalate

#### US drone usage sets a precedent for Russian drone attacks against Chechnya

Sexton 12 Buck Sexton served in the CIA, including assignments in the Counterterrorism Center and Office of Iraq Analysis. He is currently an editor for TheBlaze.com and appears nightly on GBTV.com. “Drawbacks of drone war mania,” 2-3-12, L/N, DOA: 8-16-13, y2k

We've set the stage for even more undeclared, borderless conflicts. America's lethal drone

AND

Our capability to effect violence abroad has outpaced our discussion of its desirability.

#### Causes Chechnya insurgency

Cohen 12 Ariel Cohen, Ph.D., is Senior Research Fellow in Russian and Eurasian Studies and International Energy Policy in the Douglas and Sarah Allison Center for Foreign Policy Studies, a division of the Kathryn and Shelby Cullom Davis Institute for International Studies, at The Heritage Foundation. “A Threat to the West: The Rise of Islamist Insurgency in the Northern Caucasus and Russia’s Inadequate Response,” 3-26-12, <http://www.heritage.org/research/reports/2012/03/a-threat-to-the-west-the-rise-of-islamist-insurgency-in-the-northern-caucasus>, DOA: 8-16-13, y2k

Russia’s Northern Caucasus is turning into one of the most volatile, lawless regions in

AND

to mitigate the rising Islamist threat and the effects of misguided Russian policies.

#### Causes nuclear war

Pandita 1 K.N. Pandita is Kashmir University Center of Central Asian Studies Professor, "Chechnya: impending nuclear flash point," http://www.kashmir-information.com/KNPandita/article9.html, DOA: 8-16-13, y2k

Only two days ago, Moscow announced that Russian Federation had formulated a new security

AND

to Russia if the latter decides to use nuclear weapons in Chechyn war.

## Off

### 2AC---XO---Top-Level

#### 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

AND

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

#### Links to politics

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

AND

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

Can’t solve sustainability

Goldsmith 13 How Obama Undermined the War on Terror, Jack Goldsmith teaches at Harvard Law School and is a member of the Hoover Institution Task Force on National Security and Law, MAY 1, 2013, http://www.newrepublic.com/article/112964/obamas-secrecy-destroying-american-support-counterterrorism

As a result, much of what the administration says about its secret war—

AND

for which he alone is today responsible, is increasingly viewed as illegitimate.

#### The CP isn’t sufficient – binding restraints access signaling

Scheuerman, 12 [William E. Scheuerman, Professor of Political Science and West European Studies at Indiana University, “Review Essay: Emergencies, Executive Power, and the Uncertain Future of US Presidential Democracy”, Law and Social Inquiry, Summer, 37 Law & Soc. Inquiry 743, p. lexis]

Posner and Vermeule rely on two main claims. First, even if the president

AND

seems like a pale replacement for liberal legalism and the separation of powers.

#### Fiating self-binding mechanism is a voting issue---they avoid core implementation question---only reciprocal interp because aff has to debate circumvention.

#### Obama won’t self-restrain

[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

AND

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

### 2AC Flex

#### Drones in Pakistan thumps

Serle 2/18 Pakistan drone strike pause is the longest of Obama’s presidency comment, February 18, 2014, Jack Serle, http://www.thebureauinvestigates.com/2014/02/18/pakistan-drone-strike-pause-is-the-longest-of-obama-presidency/

The CIA has not bombed Pakistan for 55 days, the longest pause between drone

AND

senior targets or carry out strikes if it felt an attack was imminent.

#### Restrictions inevitable- is a question of reform by design or default

#### Drones are inevitable- its just a question of effectiveness- 1AC was a impact turns to aggressive usage

#### US targeted killing operations are not “dynamic”---delay doesn’t jeopardize drone strikes

Deborah Pearlstein 13 is Assistant Professor of Law, Cardozo Law School @ Yeshiva University. “Enhancing Due Process in Targeted Killing,” October 2013, <http://www.acslaw.org/sites/default/files/Pearlstein_-_Due_Process_in_Targeted_Killing.pdf>, DOA: 11-14-13, y2k

Conversely, the argument that it is never possible to provide advance process in lethal

AND

, it is necessary to begin with a serious assessment of existing procedures.

#### No spillover

#### Their “weak president” link is wrong

Kitfield 11 James Kitfield is Senior Correspondent for The National Journal, three-time winner of the Gerald R. Ford Award for Distinguished Reporting on National Defense, “Power Down,” 11-17-11, <http://www.nationaljournal.com/magazine/an-indispensible-nation-no-more--20111117>, DOA: 9-16-13, y2k

Republicans lay the blame for those international woes on President Obama’s doorstep. They object

AND

, and they defy the efforts of any one nation,” Haass says.

#### Statutory checks improve war-fighting

Matthew C. Waxman 13, Professor of Law at Columbia Law School; Adjunct Senior Fellow for Law and Foreign Policy, Council on Foreign Relations, “The Constitutional Power to Threaten War”, Forthcoming in Yale Law Journal, vol. 123 (2014), 8/25/2013, PDF, DOA: 12-29-13, y2k

A second argument, this one advanced by some congressionalists, is that stronger legislative

AND

by pointing foreign actors to the appropriate institution or process for reading them.

### 2AC Iran

#### Sanctions are inevitable

Bridget Johnson 3/24 “Dem Senators Who Back Obama on Iran Negotiations Warn of ‘Delay, Deception’” 3-24-14,

<http://pjmedia.com/tatler/2014/03/24/dem-senators-who-back-obama-on-iran-negotiations-warn-of-delay-deception/> DOA: 3-27-14, y2k

Twenty-three senators — all Democrats except for independents Bernie Sanders (I-

AND

veto-proof majority to beat back a new sanctions effort in Congress.

#### Ukraine crisis kills the deal

Larison 3/27/2014 Daniel is a senior editor at The American Conservative. Here’s How to Think About Russia and the Ukraine Crisis <http://www.theamericanconservative.com/articles/how-to-think-about-russia-and-the-ukraine-crisis/?utm_source=rss&utm_medium=rss&utm_campaign=how-to-think-about-russia-and-the-ukraine-crisis> Accessed 3/27/2014 DMW

What are the consequences of this crisis for the U.S.-Russian relationship

AND

great, but any effect that there is will be a negative one.

#### 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,

AND

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

#### Plan causes agenda crowd-out---solves the DA

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

AND

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

#### No spill-over---loser’s lose is wrong

Brian Beutler 13 is Salon staff writer, 9/9/13, GOP’s massive new lie: The truth about Obama’s second term , [www.salon.com/2013/09/09/syria\_wont\_derail\_obamas\_second\_term\_house\_republicans\_will/](http://www.salon.com/2013/09/09/syria_wont_derail_obamas_second_term_house_republicans_will/) DOA: 1-2-14, y2k

When President Obama decided to seek authorization to bomb Syria, he didn’t just throw

AND

or a farm bill, or a budget deal, or anything else.

#### Deal fails

Gary Samore 2/18 is Executive Director for Research, Belfer Center for Science and International Affairs, interviewed by Jeffrey Goldberg, Bloomberg Staff Reporter, “Obama Weapons Expert: No Chance of Success With Iran,” 2-18-14,

<http://www.bloomberg.com/news/2014-02-18/obama-weapons-expert-no-chance-of-success-with-iran.html>, DOA: 2-21-14, y2k

Until recently, Gary Samore was the Barack Obama administration’s top expert on weapons of

AND

some point in the future feel strong enough to walk away from negotiations.

#### We turn Turkey

#### No Israeli strikes---assumes the deal

Zachary Keck 11/28 is associate editor of The Diplomat. “Five Reasons Israel Won't Attack Iran,” 11-28-13, <http://nationalinterest.org/commentary/five-reasons-israel-wont-attack-iran-9469?page=2>, DOA: 1-19-14, y2k

Although not a member of the P5+1 itself, Israel has always loomed

AND

the last minute when faced with what it views as an existential threat.

#### No arms race

Jones 2/18/2013 [Peter, ¶ Associate professor in the Graduate School of Public and International Affairs at the University of Ottawa Rapid nuclear proliferation doesn't happen;, LexisNexis, 7/20/2013 DMW]

It's a good narrative for those who want to attack Iran, but history shows

AND

might otherwise be a hard sell to a war-weary American public.

#### Prez leadership isn’t key

Jacobs and King ’10 (University of Minnesota, Nuffield College, (Lawrence and Desmond, “Varieties of Obamaism: Structure, Agency, and the Obama Presidency,” Perspectives on Politics (2010), 8: 793-802)

But personality is not a solid foundation for a persuasive explanation of presidential impact and

AND

roadblocks, and anticipated voter reactions. Presidential sales pitches go only so far

#### No strikes impact

Ward 2012 [Alex e-international relations writer, Durham University Iran’s Nuclear Programme and the Stability of the Middle East http://www.e-ir.info/2012/03/02/irans-nuclear-programme-and-the-stability-of-the-middle-east/ Accessed 7/19/2013 DMW]

These factors considered, a covert campaign coordinated by the CIA and Mossad has been

AND

role as a counter-hegemonic Islamic regional leader (Rakel, 2007).

#### No US strike

Anne Applebaum 10**,** Washington Post, “Prepare for war with Iran -- in case Israel strikes”, 2-23, http://www.washingtonpost.com/wp-dyn/content/article/2010/02/22/AR2010022203528.html

Let's be serious for a moment: Barack **Obama will not bomb Iran.** This is not because he is a liberal, or because he is a peacenik, or because he doesn't have the guts to try and "save his presidency" in this time-honored manner, as Daniel Pipes has urged and Sarah Palin said she would like him to do.

The president will not bomb Iran's nuclear installations for precisely **the same reasons** that George

AND

and no American president could expect public support for more than a nanosecond.

### 2AC PIC

Perm do both---no external net-benefit

Can’t solve for norms

CP must be textually and functionally competitive---they are plan plus because they say the plan AND THE “EXCEPT” YEMEN---we don’t take a stance---aff ground

# 1AR

## Terror

#### AQAP is still a threat

Joseph A. Warrick 3/3 is a retired U.S. Army Warrant Officer with over 18 years experience within the SOF community and nearly 30 years total experience in Counterintelligence and HUMINT operations both within and outside of SOF. He is currently serving as an PE ops officer within the SOF Community with duty at Fort Bragg, NC. “Radical Islamic Terrorism,” 3-3-14, <http://smallwarsjournal.com/jrnl/art/radical-islamic-terrorism>, DOA: 3-22-14, y2k

In its first paragraph, “In Focus: Al Qaeda in the Arabian Peninsula

AND

and will be replaced by aspects of the social movement which is AQ.

#### Still striking and kills civilians

Greg Miller 2/20 is Washington Post Staff Reporter, “Report: Deadly drone strike in Yemen failed to comply with Obama’s rules to protect civilians,” 2-20-14, <http://www.washingtonpost.com/world/national-security/report-deadly-drone-strike-in-yemen-failed-to-comply-with-obamas-rules-to-protect-civilians/2014/02/19/46bc68f2-997d-11e3-b931-0204122c514b_story.html>, DOA: 2-20-14, y2k

A U.S. drone strike in December that killed at least a dozen

AND

shift full control of the drone campaign from the CIA to the Pentagon.

#### Rules have changed---the new guidance document allows for civilian strikes

Kristina Wong 12/3 is Washington Times Staff, “Obama war chiefs widen drone kill box: Lethality of collateral damage ‘must not be excessive’ 12-3-13, <http://www.washingtontimes.com/news/2013/dec/3/pentagon-gives-more-room-for-deadly-error-in-drone/?page=all>, DOA: 1-2-14, y2k

The Pentagon has loosened its guidelines on avoiding civilian casualties during drone strikes, modifying

AND

version defines the term as objects “located inside the collateral hazard area.”

#### Signature strikes cause targeting mistakes---military votes aff

Greenfield 13 DANYA GREENFIELD is the deputy director of the Rafik Hariri Center for the Middle East at the Atlantic Council, where she leads the Yemen Policy Group. “The Case Against Drone Strikes on People Who Only 'Act' Like Terrorists,” 8-19-13, <http://www.theatlantic.com/international/archive/2013/08/the-case-against-drone-strikes-on-people-who-only-act-like-terrorists/278744/> DOA: 8-26-13, y2k

As Mark Bowden discusses in this month's Atlantic cover story, there is great debate

AND

that strengthens the very groups the U.S. seeks to destroy.

#### 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

AND

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

#### Plan only bans signature strikes

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

AND

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

## CP

### pERM

#### Perm solves their flex DA

Douglas Kriner, Assistant Profess of Political Science at Boston University, 2010, After the Rubicon: Congress, Presidents, and the Politics of Waging War, p. 59-60

Presidents and politicos alike have long recognized Congress's ability to reduce the political costs that

AND

S. interests or the constitutionality of the War Powers Resolution."36\\

### Solvency

#### More rollback evidence

Benjamin McKelvey, Jun-15-2011, (Executive Development Editor on the Editorial Board of the Vanderbilt Journal of Transnational Law) Due Process Rights and the Targeted Killing of Suspected Terrorists: The Unconstitutional Scope of Executive Killing Power, 44 VAND. J. TRANSNAT'L L. 1353, http://www.vanderbilt.edu/jotl/manage/wp-content/uploads/mckelvey-pdf.pdf

The Obama Administration has addressed the controversy over ¶ targeted killing in an effort to

AND

and legitimate use of targeted ¶ killings in narrowly ta¶ ilored circumstances.

#### Legal restrictions are key---self-restraint fails

Cesca 13 Bob Cesca is an American director, producer, writer, actor, blogger and political commentator. He is the Managing Editor of The Daily Banter, a news and opinion site founded by Ben Cohen, where he also writes a daily political column. “It’s Time to End the War or Regulate the Drones,” 2-6-13, <http://thedailybanter.com/2013/02/its-time-to-end-the-war-or-regulate-the-drones/> DOA: 9-6-13, y2k

If the administration opts to continue this policy, it should be compelled to lay

AND

team of White House lawyers could fashion a slippery justification for each one.

#### No enforcement---Obama won’t restrain

Friedman 13 Benjamin H. Friedman is a research fellow in defense and homeland security studies. His areas of expertise include counter-terrorism, homeland security and defense politics. He is the author of dozens of op-eds and journal articles and co-editor of two books, including Terrorizing Ourselves: Why U.S. Counterterrorism Policy Is Failing and How to Fix It, published in 2010. He is a graduate of Dartmouth College and a Ph.D. candidate in Political Science and an affiliate of the Security Studies Program at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology. “President’s Drone Speech: Good on Rhetoric, Bad on Policy,” 5-23-13, <http://www.cato.org/blog/presidents-drone-speech-good-rhetoric-bad-policy>, DOA: 8-26-13, y2k

President Obama’s Tuesday speech was intended to convey that he is taking a more measured

AND

starting by providing the legal end date for the war justifying those powers.

#### CP strengthens the executive---kills enforcement

Swanson 9 – David, Master’s Degree in Philosophy from the University of Virginia, Chair of the Accountability and Prosecution Working Group of United for Peace and Justice, "Dangerous Executive Orders", Op-ed News, 1/25, <http://www.opednews.com/articles/Dangerous-Executive-Orders-by-David-Swanson-090125-670.html>, DOA: 1-1-14, y2k

The Center for Constitutional Rights has expressed concern that President Obama's executive order banning torture

AND

the other violated laws for which no such formal orders have been given?

#### Courts won’t act- Congress key to check the executive

Benjamin McKelvey, Jun-15-2011, (Executive Development Editor on the Editorial Board of the Vanderbilt Journal of Transnational Law ) Due Process Rights and the Targeted Killing of Suspected Terrorists: The Unconstitutional Scope of Executive Killing Power, 44 VAND. J. TRANSNAT'L L. 1353, http://www.vanderbilt.edu/jotl/manage/wp-content/uploads/mckelvey-pdf.pdf

The targeted killing of Americans, as demonstrated by the ¶ Aulaqi¶ case,

AND

establishing clear principles that safeguard ¶ fundamental due process liberties from potential executive overreach

## Flex

#### Best scholarship proves---congressional involvement is key

Howell & Pevehouse 8 William G. Howell is an award-winning American political scientist and Sydney Stein Professor in American Politics at the University of Chicago Harris School of Public Policy Studies—AND—Jon C. Pevehouse is Associate Professor of Political Science at the University of Wisconsin–Madison, “While Dangers Gather : Congressional Checks on Presidential War Powers,” 2008, Princeton, NJ, USA: Princeton University Press, 2008. DOA: 12-26-13, y2k

Because they are legally binding, legislation and appropriations passed by Congress directly impinge on

AND

politics generally, and Congress in particular, to gauge the nation’s resolve.

#### Plan solves after-the-fact objections that kill flex

David J. Barron 8 is Professor of Law at Harvard Law School and Martin S. Lederman, Visiting Professor of Law at the Georgetown University Law Center, "The Commander in Chief at the Lowest Ebb — A Constitutional History", Harvard Law Review, February, 121 Harv. L. Rev. 941, Lexis, DOA: 1-1-14, y2k

By the conclusion of the Clinton Administration, however, it appeared that something of

AND

much to say about the question of unilateral executive use of military force.

#### Lack of congressional involvement in warmaking devastates US resolve by creating strategic uncertainty

Michael L. Smidt 9 is Leeutenant Colonel, USMA, “The Proposed 2009 War Powers Consultation Act,” 3-19-9, DOA: 12-22-13, y2k

Although the primary benefit from a joint Congressional and Presidential decision to commit the armed

AND

means that only half of the power available to the government is employed.