#### War is no longer declared; it’s always, already present through a form of immunity-policing whereby any event is considered a threat to the virtual order.

Baudrillard 05 (Jean, “The intelligence of evil or the lucidity pact”)[RW]

At this present stage of a networking of all functions- of the body,

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power exerting it ends up exerting on itself under the banner of security.

**Cyber war is hyperreal—the simulated universe where everything is realer than real. Through this process of simulation, the boundary between the real and the imaginary disintegrates as information accelerates and the social implodes. Also, extinction.**

**Robinson 12** Andrew, 8/10/12, *Jean Baudrillard: Hyperreality and Implosion*, Associate Professor Wilfred Laurier University, PhD, Political Science, University of Western Ontario, MA, Political Science, University of Western Ontario)

The model of the code does not represent a prior social reality. It creates

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from its referential contents. We are living through a collapse of meaning.

#### Virtual reality becomes the “final solution” to the impossible exchange of reality. The endpoint is the destruction of all natural life.

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The first is the hypothesis of the radical illusoriness of the world - that is

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the end, this irresistible technical undertaking or the violent reaction against it.

#### The taxonomies and linguistics of cyber war use fear and technocratic jargon as abstractions designed to control and manipulate the public.

Debrix 01 Assistant Professor of International Relations at Florida International University 2001 François “Cyberterror and Media-Induced Fears: The Production of Emergency Culture” Strategies 14.1 EBSCOhost

A National Security Agency adviser recently stated that “we need to know what normal

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can and is encouraged to do: be afraid, be very afraid.

#### Discourse on cyber-terror is a symptom of a larger geopolitical drive to guarantee safety by eliminating populations because we’re all already terrorists

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There is a fierce irony here: the irony of an anti-terrorist world

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all the political insignificance of this 'international community' by comparison with American Realpolitik.

#### This is indicative of a larger problem of modernity—it confuses evil, which is inherent, with misfortune, which is predictable, and thus eliminable. This failure leads to violent scapegoating. Cyber war is the categorization of the evil of war as misfortune, as modernity attempts to relegate violence to a place where it can be managed

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It is the secret failing of politics that it is no longer able to think

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should compete to take power, but that they should not want it.

#### Thought-as-misfortune does not cure human suffering but it does posit the world as it ought-never-have-been, affirming ressentiment that labels the whole of humanity as criminals.

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Thinking based on evil is not pessimistic; it is the thinking based on misfortune

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whole culture of misfortune, of recrimination, repentance, compassion and victimhood.

#### Jon and I affirm the reversibility of cyber war. Normative statements about what the government should do ignore the point of the resolution—to analyze the evil inside war powers. Reversibility is not a hypothetical world, it’s a revealing of paradox, an inversion of moral genealogy and a passing beyond of the real and the virtual.

Baudrillard 05 (Jean, “The intelligence of evil or the lucidity pact”)[RW]

However that may be, duality and evil are not the same as violence.

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word in the story. And the Apocalypse itself is a facile solution.

#### The task of philosophy is to unmask the illusion of objective reality. Absent an epistemic reframing, knowledge will always fall prey to circularity.

Baudrillard 05 (Jean, “The intelligence of evil or the lucidity pact”)[RW]

The invention of Reality, unknown to other cultures, is the work of modern

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nor any original identity - there is only an inextricable reciprocity' (Lichtenberg).