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## Plan

#### Text – The United States Congress should restrict the president’s targeting authority in a non-international armed conflict to individuals who are members of organized armed groups of a non-state party engaged in hostilities.

### ADV – 1

#### Contention 1 is Restraint

#### Drone tech is inevitable but how they are used is a function of political will – US action is the key internal link to controlling the future of drone warfare.

Farley, 11

[Robert, assistant professor at the Patterson School of Diplomacy and International Commerce at the University of Kentucky, Over the Horizon: U.S. Drone Use Sets Global Precedent, World Politics Review, 10-12-11, <http://www.worldpoliticsreview.com/articles/10311/over-the-horizon-u-s-drone-use-sets-global-precedent>]

Is the world about to see a "drone race" among the United States

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policymakers should perhaps devote a touch more attention to the precedent they're setting.

#### Specifically US practices ignore international norms of proportionality and distinction undermining the very nature of restraint in international law.

ICG, 13

[International Crisis Group, Drones: Myths and Reality in Pakistan, Asia Report, no. 247, May, 2013, <http://www.isn.ethz.ch/Digital-Library/Publications/Detail/?lng=en&id=164796>]

President Obama, has argued that “there is nothing in international law … that

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, and they are entitled to defend themselves before a court of law.

#### US targeted killing policies water down the notion of imminence gut any sense of proportionality – incorporating international law in the decision making process if key.

Guiora, 13

[Amos, N., S.J. Quinney College of Law, University of Utah, Targeted Killing: The Limits of Power, e-International Relations, 9-4-2012, <http://www.e-ir.info/2012/09/04/targeted-killing-the-limits-of-power/>]

Targeted killing sits at the intersection of law, morality, strategy and policy.

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on both sides and to our fundamental values, are just too high.

#### And – China models US drone usage – restraints are key to creating new norms

CBS News, 13

[China emerges as new force in drone warfare, May 3, 2013, <http://www.cbsnews.com/8301-202_162-57582699/china-emerges-as-new-force-in-drone-warfare/>]

Chinese aerospace firms have developed dozens of drones, known also as unmanned aerial vehicles

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There needs to be agreement on what the limits are," he said.

This encourages overreach and risk taking that makes miscalculation likely leading to war.

Gertz, 13

[Bill, the senior editor of the Washington Free Beacon, Game of Drones, Washington Free Beacon, March 26, 2013, <http://freebeacon.com/game-of-drones/>]

For the immediate future, the Chinese drones are monitoring disputed maritime and land boundaries

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Japan is expected to increase tensions over the Senkakus, the officials said.

#### Conflict is likely – drones lower the bar for aggressive behavior on both sides.

Parker, 13

[Richard, NY TIMES, Pilotless Planes, Pacific Tensions, http://www.nytimes.com/2013/05/13/opinion/drones-and-the-rivalry-between-the-us-and-china.html?smid=go-share&\_r=1&]

<This exercise is the beginning of a new chapter in military history: autonomous

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fully understand, and so are all the more likely to fall into.>

#### Extinction

Strait Times, 2k

[Ching Cheong – Senior Journalist @ The Strait Times, No one gains in a war over Taiwan, June 25, Lexis]

<THE high-intensity scenario postulates a cross-strait war escalating into **a**

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should that come to pass, **we would see the destruction of civilization**.>

#### The plans standards eliminates signature strikes and establishes an international norm of restraint.

Haas, 13

[Richard, President CFR, The President Has Too Much Latitude to Order Drone Strikes, CFR, 2-18-2013, <http://www.cfr.org/drones/president-has-too-much-latitude-order-drone-strikes/p30021>]

Instead of the Justice Department criterion, what is needed is a standard that would

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the world who appreciate the need to balance legitimacy and self-preservation.

#### Codifying TK standards is key to establishing a clear legal precedent in a time when norm are in flux.

Twomey, 13

[Laura, Trinity College Dublin, Setting a Global Precedent: President Obama's Codification of Drone Warfare, Cambridge Journal of International and Comparative law, March 14, 2013, http://www.cjicl.org.uk/index.php/cjicl-blog/setting-a-global-precedent-president-obamas-codification-of-drone-warfare]

It is clear that, as the first State to deploy remote targeting technology in

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warfare, a model which lacks a clear enemy and a demarcated battlefield.

### ADV - 2

#### Contention 2 is Pakistan

#### The strategy of targeting low-level militants drives anti-American sentiment and undermines counter-terrorism in Pakistan.

Hamid, 13

[Moshin, Pakistan: Why Drones Don’t Help, NY Review of Books, May, 23, 2013, <http://www.nybooks.com/articles/archives/2013/may/23/pakistan-why-drones-dont-help/?pagination=false>]

If there is any misconception that the drone strikes are primarily counterterrorist in nature,

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. The country must be responsible for dealing with its own extremist groups.

#### And – despite promises those strikes will continue.

Mazetti, 13

[Mark, Despite Administration Promises, Few Signs of Change in Drone Wars, NYT, August 2, 2013, <http://www.nytimes.com/2013/08/03/us/politics/drone-war-rages-on-even-as-administration-talks-about-ending-it.html?pagewanted=all>]

WASHINGTON — There were more drone strikes in Pakistan last month than any month since

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Pakistan,” Mr. Zenko said, “or Yemen for that matter.”

#### Lack of congressional restrictions on signature killing undermines Pakistani government credibility risking a violent coup.

Khan, 8-29

[Muhammed, PhD scholar in international law in University of Salzburg, The Drone Dilemma, Pakistan Today, 8-29-13, <http://www.pakistantoday.com.pk/2013/08/29/comment/columns/the-drone-dilemma-2/>]

During his first term, President Obama launched more than six times as many drone

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be committing a political suicide which might even turn into a bloody revolt.

#### Ending the targeting of low-level operatives key to cooperation and legitimacy of the government – prefer our comparative evidence.

Boyle, 13

[Michael, Assistant Professor of Political Science at La Salle University, The costs and consequences of drone warfare, International Affairs, 89:1, <http://www.chathamhouse.org/sites/default/files/public/International%20Affairs/2013/89_1/89_1Boyle.pdf>]

The extent to which the Obama administration has targeted lower-ranked operatives is not

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Al-Qaeda and strengthened local insurgent forces challenging the Yemeni government.53

#### The plan is the *CRUCIAL* step in undermining hardliners – focus on principles of distinction and proportionality are key.

ICG, 13

[International Crisis Group, Drones: Myths and Reality in Pakistan, Asia Report, no. 247, May, 2013, <http://www.isn.ethz.ch/Digital-Library/Publications/Detail/?lng=en&id=164796>]

The lack of candour from the U.S. and Pakistan governments on the

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oversight by the Senate and House Armed Services Committees and appropriate judicial review.

#### Pakistan state collapse guts the global economy and draws every major nation into a nuclear world war 3.

Walayat, 10

[Nadeem, 20 years experience of trading derivatives, portfolio management and analysing the financial markets, including one of few who both anticipated and Beat the 1987 Crash, Pakistan Collapse Could Trigger Global Great Depression and World War III, The Market Oracle, January 16, 2010, <http://www.marketoracle.co.uk/Article16543.html>]

During 2009 the 2600 terrorist attacks resulted in the number of deaths soaring to more

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as the 1930's Great Deflationary Depression ultimately resulted in the Second World War.

#### Economic collapse causes war, miscalc and terror.

Royal, 10

[Jedediah, Director of Cooperativ e Threat Reduction at the U.S. Department of Defense, “Economic Integration, Economic Signaling and the Problem of Economic Crises,” in Economics of War and Peace: Economic, Legal and Political Perspectives, ed. Goldsmith and Brauer, p. 213-215]

Less intuitive is how periods of **economic decline may** **increase the likelihood of external conflict**

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such, the view presented here should be considered ancillary to those views.

### Solvo

#### Contention 3 is Solvency

#### ONLY Congressional oversight is the key internal link to credible rules of the road and international norms. Presidential action leaves the door open to unstrained unilateralism. Maxwell, 12

[Mark David, a Judge Advocate with the U.S. Army, TARGETED KILLING, THE LAW, AND TERRORISTS FEELING SAFE?, National Defense University, 64:1, 1st quarter, 2012, <http://www.ndu.edu/press/targeted-killing.html>]

In order to alleviate both of these quandaries, Congress must step in with legislative

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

#### Precedents set by the president are only perceived domestically and don’t restrain future administrations.

Eland, 13

[Ivan, Director of the Center on Peace & Liberty at The Independent Institute. Dr. Eland has spent 15 years working for Congress on national security issues, including stints as an investigator for the House Foreign Affairs Committee and Principal Defense Analyst at the Congressional Budget Office, Dangerous Precedent of Drone Wars, The Consortium News, June 4, 2013, <http://consortiumnews.com/2013/06/04/dangerous-precedent-of-drone-wars/>]

Prior to the 2012 election, President Barack Obama told aides that he wanted to

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expansive Bush/Obama “war on terror” as their unfortunate precedent.

#### Current drone doctrine is unsustainable – only Congress reforms solve and are sustainable

Hayden, 13

[Tom, The Peace and Justice Resource Center & The Nation, 'Bug Splat': Think Tank and Rep. Ellison Call for Drone Reform, http://www.envirosagainstwar.org/know/read.php?itemid=13074]

The report credits protests by human rights, peace advocates and journalists for causing a

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policies, or the future will become far more secret than the past.