### Contention 1: Homonationalism

#### 1. US exceptionalism creates homonationalism, where even queer bodies are included in the patriotic order as long as they conform to traditional practices of citizenship – unstable sexualities are projected outwards on the Other, creating our flawed and sexualized understanding of the Terrorist.

Puar 2007 [Jasbir, Professor of women's and gender studies at Rutgers University, Terrorist Assemblages: Homonationalism in Queer Times] Awirth

Hate crimes against …with one another.

#### 2. Homonationalism justifies liberalized intervention on states – to understand this imperial violence we must understand the ongoing complexities of homonationalism that is fueled by a racialized Muslim Other.

Puar 13 [Jasbir, Professor of women's and gender studies at Rutgers University, Rethinking Homonationalism, Int. J. Middle East Stud. 45 (2013)] Awirth

In my 2007 … solitary temporal moment.

#### 3. Voting affirmative is key – our complacency is what justifies the imperial violence of homonationalism

Butler 10 [Judith, Judith Butler – I Must Distance Myself From This Complicity With Racism, <http://www.egs.edu/faculty/judith-butler/articles/i-must-distance-myself/>] Awirth

When I consider … against such politics?

#### 4. Indefinite detention is rooted in heteronormative formations of sex, gender, and family – this respatialization creates the ultimate violence against the non-citizen

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Second, the Aclu … are biopolitical comrades.

#### 5. Detention and associated practices of torture are rooted in the idea of queer otherness, where certain sex acts are seen to be unnatural and befitting for the sexualized Muslim to experience because of their placement outside of US citizenship exceptionalism

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The torture of … torture’s corporeal potency.

#### 6. Indefinite detention is rooted within a bio-necro politics, where the state marks certain populations as the living dead marked for slow death.

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Mbembe's "death-worlds" … so, for whom?

### Contention 2: Control Societies

#### 1. We live in the age of control societies – the state uses similarities and difference to regulate subjects – the panopticon depends on the ability to understand and render subjects visible

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On June 26, 2003… currently in use. 10

#### 2. Other modes of action fails because of current identity politics – control societies tweak their forms of discipline based on subject positions – we must destabilize identity to better understand the states mechanisms of control and discipline.

Puar 12 [Jasbir, Professor of women's and gender studies at Rutgers University, “I would rather be a cyborg than a goddess”: Becoming-Intersectional in Assemblage Theory, philoSOPHIA, 2(1), 49-66.

Chicago, Project Muse] Awirth

There’s obviously much … discipline and control.

#### 3. Failure to escape current taxonomies of knowing justify the states use multiculturalism to include and exclude certain bodies – complacency with current modes of citizenship masks the ascendancy of whiteness.

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Rey Chow, drawing … populations for control. 61

### Advocacy Statement

#### Andrew and I contend that we should substantially increase restrictions on the war powers authority of the President of the United States in the area of indefinite detention through assemblages to critique the intersection of identities that detain the terrorist.

### Contention 3: Assemblages

#### 1. Thus we present out methodology – we endorse the construction of identity through assemblages – our method unhooks current modes of identity constructed by intersectional analysis of visually by examining the affective nature of bodies –

Denike 10 [Margaret, Associate Professor of political theory in the Department of Political Science, and the Coordinator of the Law and Society Program @ Dalhousie University, Homonormative Collusions and the Subject of Rights: Reading Terrorist Assemblages] Awirth

It is in … represented as such.

#### 2. The fluidity of identities constructed as assemblages are necessary to break down the language representations that construct the Other.

Puar 12 [Jasbir, Professor of women's and gender studies at Rutgers University, “I would rather be a cyborg than a goddess”: Becoming-Intersectional in Assemblage Theory, philoSOPHIA, 2(1), 49-66.

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“Assemblage” is actually … class struggle. (Guattari 2009, 26)

#### 3. Current modes of intersectionality analysis privilege naming and knowing identity, our endorsement of assemblages unhooks current identity to allow for a politics of becoming – this is the only way to challenge the taxonomy of difference that creates the “us v them” of the war on terror.

Puar 2007 [Jasbir, Professor of women's and gender studies at Rutgers University, Terrorist

Identity is one … or without being. 32

#### 4. We don’t claim to solve all oppression or assemblages are perfect – any method must be open to its own self-destruction and realize that these new lines of flight expose new possibilities – voting affirmative allows for the construction of new theoretical tools for combating oppression – current movements have been co-opted and only a risk the affirmative can create change.

Denike 10 [Margaret, Associate Professor of political theory in the Department of Political Science, and the Coordinator of the Law and Society Program @ Dalhousie University, Homonormative Collusions and the Subject of Rights: Reading Terrorist Assemblages] Awirth

In any event, … indeed an illusion.

#### 5. Focusing on the institutional articulation of power fails to challenge systems of power. Only our method solves.

Shomura 10 [Chad, Ph.D. Candidate, Johns Hopkins University, These Are Bad People"-Enemy Combatants and the Homopolitics of the" War on Terror, Theory & Event, Vol. 13. Issue 1] Awirth

Playing a crucial … of the social.

#### 6. Traditional debate operates with a fear of impotency or 'no solvency' and the need for a subject to act which leads to oppression. Our activism is a criticism of the formation of force that lead to resistance.

Snoek ‘12 (Anke, PhD in Philosophy Department @ Macquarie U., Agamben’s Joyful Kafka)

\*We don’t endorse any of the gendered language in this card

Given the preceding … reverse political situations.

#### 7. Rather than attempt to mobilize the productive research of debate into some outward facing advocacy statement that sets its sights on the big ole government out there, we should perform a cautious, continuous study with no goal or end in sight. Only this activates a true politics that breaks with the biopolitical control of the status quo.

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According to Agamben, **… it for good.** (SE, 64)