## Manufacturing

#### Plan is key to US sticky power—energy and economic leadership sustains hegemony.

Graeber 12—Senior Analyst @ Oilprice.com, “Natural Gas is Sticky”, 12 April 2012, <http://oilprice.com/Energy/Natural-Gas/Natural-Gas-is-Sticky.html>, Accessed date: 9-7-12 y2k

Richard Morningstar, the U.S. envoy for Eurasian energy, spoke before

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all will gain. If not, nobody will reap the full benefits."

#### Unipolarity is key to status bargaining—massive interdisciplinary research proves---multipolarity fails.

William Wolfworth 9 is Professor of government @ Dartmouth College “Unipolarity, Status Competition, and Great Power War,” World Politics, Volume 61, Number 1, January 2009

Second, I question the dominant view that status quo evaluations are relatively independent of

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ways that directly contradict their material interest in security and/or prosperity.

#### Decline in US manufacturing triggers violent China rise.

Steven Mosher 6 is the President of the Population Research Institute. "CHINESE INFLUENCE ON U.S. FOREIGN POLICY THROUGH U.S. EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS, MULTILATERAL ORGANIZATIONS AND CORPORATE AMERICA: HEARING BEFORE THE SUBCOMMITTEE ON OVERSIGHT AND INVESTIGATIONS OF THE COMMITTEE ON INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES," Feb 14, <http://commdocs.house.gov/committees/intlrel/hfa26076.000/hfa26076_0f.htm>, Accessed date: 12-31-12 y2k

The ruthless mercantilism practiced by the CCP is thus a form of economic warfare.

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. and allied forces in the region.''(see footnote 20)

#### Heg deters china war

Robert Lieber 5 is Professor of Government and International Affairs at Georgetown University, The American Era: Power and Strategy for the 21st Century, p. 158

Parallels between America's role in East Asia and its involvements in Europe might seem far

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with the long-term potential to emerge as a true major power competitor

#### No U.S./China war- Relations and economics check

Sargent 8 Sara, Business Reporter – Medill News Service, “China Space Launch Raises Fears”, UPI, 10-3, Lexis

In January 2007 China conducted its first successful anti-satellite weapons test by destroying

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, Cheng and other experts agree that war is an exceptionally unlikely scenario.

#### Energy abundance solves US-China war

Mead 12 (Walter Russell, James Clark Chase Professor of Foreign Affairs and Humanities – Bard College and Editor-at-Large – American Interest, “Energy Revolution 3: The New American Century,” American Interest, 7-18, <http://blogs.the-american-interest.com/wrm/2012/07/18/energy-revolution-3-the-new-american-century/>)

On the whole, a world of energy abundance should be particularly good for U

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translate into a greater willingness to take a hard line on international issues.

#### Perception of American strength prevents prolif and first strikes

Jim Talent 10 is distinguished fellow in government relations at the Heritage Foundation, Sowing the Wind, p. http://www.freedomsolutions.org/2010/03/sowing-the-wind-the-decay-of-american-power-and-its-consequences/

There is a reason that regimes like Iran and North Korea go to the time

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the umbrella of American power without having to develop their own deterrent capability.

#### No widespread proliferation

Hymans 12 Jacques Hymans, USC Associate Professor of IR, 4/16/12, North Korea's Lessons for (Not) Building an Atomic Bomb, www.foreignaffairs.com/articles/137408/jacques-e-c-hymans/north-koreas-lessons-for-not-building-an-atomic-bomb?page=show

Washington's miscalculation is not just a product of the difficulties of seeing inside the Hermit

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, as a struggling proliferator, North Korea has a lot of company.

#### No war

Waltz 7 Kenneth, Professor – UC Berkeley, “A Nuclear Iran”, Journal of International Affairs, 3-22, Lexis

First, nuclear proliferation is not a problem because nuclear weapons have not proliferated.

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exception, over a period of more than fifty years. Pretty impressive.

### 2AC Otec

#### No OTEC commercialization—high financial cost and uncertainty surrounding the project.

S. M. Masutani 1 is Cooperating Graduate Faculty, Department of Ocean Engineering @ University of Hawaii and P. K. Takahashi is Emeritus Director @ Hawaii Natural Energy Institute. “OCEAN THERMAL ENERGY CONVERSION (OTEC),” http://curry.eas.gatech.edu/Courses/6140/ency/Chapter2/Ency\_Oceans/OTEC.pdf,

Studies conducted to date on the economic feasibility of OTEC systems suffer from the lack

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in excess of the $1000}$2000kW 1 of fossil fuel power stations

#### Global OTEC development is inevitable.

David Appleyard 8/30 is Chief Editor of Renewable Energy World. He also currently holds the position of Chief Editor for sister publication Hydro Review Worldwide. “Rising Tide for Ocean Energy: UK Aims to Ride the Wave,” August 30, 2012 <http://www.renewableenergyworld.com/rea/news/article/2012/08/rising-tide-for-ocean-energy?page=2>, Accessed date: 10/12/12 y2k

Companies based outside the UK are set to participate in the British drive to dominate

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such as Canada, the U.S., Korea and New Zealand.

#### Doesn’t solve manufacturing---immediate

#### Alliance—

#### Obama clean energy agenda is highly contentious

Broder 12 After Federal Jolt, Clean Energy Seeks New Spark, JOHN M. BRODER, October 23, 2012, <http://www.nytimes.com/2012/10/24/business/energy-environment/future-of-american-aid-to-clean-energy.html?pagewanted=all&_r=0>

The Obama administration’s clean energy venture has been contentious from the start, generating enormous

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for innovators. The two parties are sharply split on all those possibilities.”

#### OCS exploration solves marine biotech.

Russell J. Schmitt 8 is Professor, Department of Ecology, Evolution and Marine Biology and Program Director, Coastal Marine Institute @ University of California. “Use of OCS Oil Platforms as Sustainable Sources of Marine Natural Products,” [http://www.coastalresearchcenter.ucsb.edu/cmi/files/2006-054.pdf 2008](http://www.coastalresearchcenter.ucsb.edu/cmi/files/2006-054.pdf%202008), Accessed date: 11-6-12 y2k

The Santa Barbara Channel (SBC) is an ideal location to investigate the possibility

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many groups is characterized by excessive ‘lumping’ rather than excessive ‘splitting’.

#### Solves extinction.

Dr Prof. Anwar Nasim 11 is a Pakistani molecular geneticist and molecular biologist. Anwar Nasim is a scientist in the field of biochemical genetics and genetic engineering. “Biotechnology: A Powerful Tool for Human Survival and Sustainability,” Survival and Sustainability Environmental Earth Sciences 2011, pp 361-370, <http://rd.springer.com/chapter/10.1007/978-3-540-95991-5_34>, Accessed date: 11-6-12 y2k

The concept of sustainable development for a meaningful human survival is now well documented.

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of both physical and biological environment as these relate to future human survival.

### 2AC Generic Oil DA

#### Price is low.

Reuters 12/29 “Oil prices down on rise in gasoline inventories: US crude stocks slip, products stocks up last week,” <http://gulfnews.com/business/oil-gas/oil-prices-down-on-rise-in-gasoline-inventories-1.1125238>, Accessed date: 1-2-13 y2k

New York: Oil prices settled lower on Friday after US data showed a sharp

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market research at Tradition Energy, in a research note. Article continues below

#### Other countries trigger the link.

Koch 12—Wendy Koch is USA Today Staff. “U.S. oil production is up, so why are gas prices so high?” 4/19/2012, <http://www.usatoday.com/money/industries/energy/story/2012-04-21/global-factors-gasoline-prices/54421804/1>

Given America's new oil rush, it would seem the best of times for gas

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of the world's supply last year and 53% of what the nation used

#### Price is unpredictable.

**Hamilton 2008** James D. Hamilton Department of Economics, University of California, San Diego “Understanding Crude Oil Prices,” National Bureau of Economic Research Working Paper 14492, November 2008 http://www.nber.org/papers/w14492

Insofar as expectations, convenience yield and risk premia are impossible to observe directly,

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if our theory is correct, we should be completely unable to predict.

#### **Natural gas and oil prices are decoupled**

Webber 12 – Michael Webber is the Josey Centennial Fellow in Energy Resources, Co

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One of the most important recent trends has been the decoupling of natural gas and

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$2/MMBTU today, whereas petroleum costs $18/MMBTU).

#### Link is inevitable—other exporters.

**Ponomareva 12**— Lada Ponomareva is staff writer for OilandGasEurasia, “Russia gains serious competitors on the gas export market” June, 2012, [http://www.oilandgaseurasia.com/articles/p/162/article/1870/#](http://www.oilandgaseurasia.com/articles/p/162/article/1870/) Accessed date” 8-29-12 y2k

They say that the main reason for this possible development is Gazprom's own shortsightedness with

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, Russia will have to learn to share. Just like in kindergarten.

#### Russia already switched to spot pricing

Medlock et al. 11 - Dr. Kenneth B. Medlock, Ph.D. in economics, fellow in Energy and Resource Economics at the Baker Institute, and former advisor to the U.S. Department of Energy and the California Energy Commission, AND\*\*\* Amy Myers Jaffe, graduate from Princeton University, fellow of Energy Studies and director of the Energy Forum at the Baker Institute, and associate director of the Rice Energy Program, AND\*\*\* Dr. Peter R. Hartley, Ph.D in economics at Rice University, [July 2011, "Shale Gas and U.S. National Security,” http://bakerinstitute.org/publications/EF-pub-DOEShaleGas-07192011.pdf](file:///C%3A%5CUsers%5CPei%5CDesktop%5CROGERS%20HOUSE%5CJuly%202011%2C%20%22Shale%20Gas%20and%20U.S.%20National%20Security%2C)

Rising shale gas production in the United States is already impacting markets abroad. In

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oil prices. This change in pricing terms signals a major paradigm shift.

#### High prices kill Russian diversification—Dutch Disease inevitably kills their economy.

**Buckley ‘12** (Neil, “Economy: Oil Dependence Remains a Fundamental Difference,” 6/20, Financial Times, http://www.ft.com/intl/cms/s/0/438712b2-b497-11e1-bb2e-00144feabdc0.html#axzz1ypkFB0pH)//mat

Moscow’s dollar-denominated stock market index is down more than 20 per cent since

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main policy aim: diversifying the economy away from reliance on extractive industries.

#### Economic diversification solves aggression and nationalism

Cohen & Ericson 9 – Ariel Cohen, Ph.D., Senior Research Fellow, The Kathryn and Shelby Cullom Davis Institute for International Studies, AND\*\*\* Richard Ericson, Ph.D., Chair of the Department of Economics at the East Carolina University and former Director of the Harriman Institute at Columbia University, November 2nd, 2009, The Heritage Foundation, “Russia's Economic Crisis and U.S.-Russia Relations: Troubled Times Ahead,” <http://www.heritage.org/research/reports/2009/11/russias-economic-crisis-and-us-russia-relations-troubled-times-ahead>

An economic model based on natural resources would tend to perpetuate authoritarianism, nationalism,

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is stunted by state corruption and the lack of the rule of law.

#### Now is key – failure to enact political reforms causes violent revolutions

Freeland and Gutterman 12 – Chrystia Freeland and Steve Gutterman, writers for Reuters, January 17, 2012, “Russia faces violent revolution if it doesn’t embrace democracy, billionaire Putin challenger declares”, <http://news.nationalpost.com/2012/01/17/russia-faces-violent-revolution-if-it-doesnt-embrace-democracy-billionaire-putin-challenger-declares/>

MOSCOW — Mikhail Prokhorov, a super-rich tycoon challenging Vladimir Putin for Russia’s

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living in the big cities, want to live in a democratic country.”

#### That causes miscalculation and nuclear war

Pry 99 (Peter Vincent, Former US Intelligence Operative, War Scare: U.S.-Russia on the Nuclear Brink, netlibrary)

Russian internal troubles—such as a leadership crisis, coup, or civil war

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Russian affairs, with the West ignorant that it was in grave peril.

#### Plan solves diversification—cooperative EU-Russia framework.

**Van der Hoeven 12**—Maria van der Hoeven is the Executive Director @ International Energy Agency. “Factors shaping energy markets and implications for EU-Russia Relations” February 12, 2012, <http://www.iea.org/newsroomandevents/speec>

hes/zurich\_eu\_russia.pdf Accessed date: 8-29-12 y2k

While the nature of the energy relationship between the EU and Russia may be changing

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energy resources, can be instrumental to achieving European energy and climate goals.

#### No impact to Russian economy

**Blackwill ‘9** (former associate dean of the Kennedy School of Government and Deputy Assistant to the President and Deputy National Security Advisor for Strategic Planning, Robert, RAND, “The Geopolitical Consequences of the World Economic Recession—A Caution”, http://www.rand.org/pubs/occasional\_papers/2009/RAND\_OP275.pdf

Now on to Russia. Again, five years from today. Did the global

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are likely to be changed in any serious way by the economic crisis.

#### High prices kill India’s economy.

**Sharma and Choudhury 12**—Rakesh Sharma and Santanu Choudhury are WSJ staff. “India Oil Imports Cloud Economic Picture” 4-30-12, <http://online.wsj.com/article/SB10001424052702304050304577375682575260526.html>, Accessed date” 8-29-12 y2k

NEW DELHI—India said its crude imports in the 2012 fiscal year rose 5

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compared to the massive amount of crude imports needed to fuel the refineries.

#### Extinction.

**Bouton ‘10** (Marshall M., President – Chicago Council on Global Affairs, “America’s Interests in India”, CNAS Working Paper, October, http://www.cnas.org/files/documents/publications/CNAS\_USInterestsinIndia\_ Bouton.pdf)

In South Asia, the most immediately compelling U.S. interest is preventing

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and terrorism, and much greater potential for unchecked interstate and civil conflict.

### 2AC Debt Ceiling

#### Won’t pass

Mike Lillis 1/6 is The Hill Reporter. “Van Hollen: GOP push for cuts without new revenue a 'recipe for more gridlock,” <http://thehill.com/homenews/house/275797-van-hollen-gop-has-recipe-for-more-gridlock#ixzz2HGO1rYSI>, Accessed date: 1-6-12 y2k

A leading Democrat warned Sunday that Congress will come to a standstill if Republicans insist

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And conservatives on Capitol Hill were quick to throw their weight behind McConnell.

#### PC Low.

Richard McGregor 1/2 is a journalist, writer and author. He was the chief political correspondent, Japan correspondent and China correspondent for The Australian. “Fiscal fights threaten US policy goals,” <http://www.ft.com/intl/cms/s/0/8f8ef804-5501-11e2-a628-00144feab49a.html?ftcamp=published_links%2Frss%2Fworld%2Ffeed%2F%2Fproduct#axzz2GsYYozzM>, Accessed date: 1-2-12 y2k

Moments after the fiscal cliff was averted, President Barack Obama strode to the White

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with declining political capital will face an uphill battle to shift their views.

#### Hagel nomination triggers the link

Allen and Samuelsohn, Politico Staff Writers, 1-6, 2013,

(Mike and Darren, "Obama to pick Chuck Hagel for Pentagon", Politico, PAS) [www.politico.com/story/2013/01/chuck-hagel-picked-for-defense-secretary-85800.html](http://www.politico.com/story/2013/01/chuck-hagel-picked-for-defense-secretary-85800.html) 1-6-13

President Barack Obama has settled on Chuck Hagel, a Republican and former U.

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-Israel groups and gay-rights groups have marshaled opposition to him.

#### Plan popular---trumps ideology.

Barry Russell 12 is President of the Independent Petroleum Association of America, “Energy Must Transcend Politics”, 8-15-12, <http://energy.nationaljournal.com/2012/08/finding-the-sweet-spot-biparti.php#2238176>, Accessed date: 12-10-12 y2k

There have been glimpses of great leadership, examples when legislators have reached across the

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) is another Democratic leader who consistently votes to promote responsible energy development.

#### Plan is an olive branch on debt

Worthington 11 (David, contributing editor for SmartPlanet, “House Republicans push offshore drilling,” 5-6-11, <http://www.smartplanet.com/blog/intelligent-energy/house-republicans-push-offshore-drilling/6068>)

The solution to rising gas prices and lingering unemployment is for the Obama administration to

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, would open up new areas to drilling off of the Atlantic coast.

#### Logical policymaker can do both

#### No link – doesn’t require congressional approval

Janofsky 6 (Michael, Veteran Journalist, “Offshore Drilling Plan Widens Rifts Over Energy Policy,” New York Times, 4-9, <http://www.nytimes.com/2006/04/09/washington/09drill.html>)

A Bush administration proposal to open an energy-rich tract of the Gulf of

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the administration's final plan would lead to bidding on new leases in 2007.

#### No spillover between policies---negotiations on fiscal cliff inevitable.

#### Winners win

Green 10—David Michael Green is Professor of political science at Hofstra University, David Michael Green, 6/11/10, "The Do-Nothing 44th President ", http://www.opednews.com/articles/The-Do-Nothing-44th-Presid-by-David-Michael-Gree-100611-648.html

Moreover, there is a continuously evolving and reciprocal relationship between presidential boldness and achievement

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of the now retired Helen Thomas, this is precisely what they did.

#### Key to agenda---outweighs their link.

Dan Froomkin 11 is senior Washington correspondent for the Huffington Post. “How The Oil Lobby Greases Washington's Wheels,”

04/06/11, <http://www.huffingtonpost.com/2011/04/06/how-the-oil-lobby-greases_n_845720.html?view=print&comm_ref=false>, Accessed date: 12-31-12 y2k

Clout in Washington isn't about winning legislative battles -- it's about making sure that they

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to defund the Environmental Protection Agency and roll back regulations across the board.

#### PC is not 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

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

#### 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.

#### Economy is resilient

Zumbrun and Varghese 12 Authors for Bloomberg, Joshua and Romy, “Fed’s Plosser Says U.S. Economy Proving Resilient To Shocks”, Bloomberg, 5/9, http://www.bloomberg.com/news/2012-05-09/fed-s-plosser-says-u-s-economy-proving-resilient-to-shocks.html

Philadelphia Federal Reserve Bank President Charles Plosser said the U.S. economy has

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dean of the graduate school of business administration at the University of Rochester.

#### Manufacturing is key to economy.

Dr. Robert Scott 8 joined the Economic Policy Institute as an international economist in 1996. Before that, he was an assistant professor with the College of Business and Management of the University of Maryland at College Park. His areas of research include international economics and trade agreements and their impacts on working people in the U.S. and other countries, the economic impacts of foreign investment, and the macroeconomic effects of trade and capital flows. “The importance of manufacturing,” February 12, 2008, <http://www.epi.org/publication/webfeatures_snapshots_20080212/>, Accessed date: 11-22-12 y2k

While U.S. manufacturing has been hit hard by a decade of rapid

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in U.S. manufacturing could stimulate growth in a wide swath of

states in the heartland that have been hardest hit by the manufacturing and housing crises.

## Exports

#### Massive gas price spike is inevitable---production declining now and shale production insufficient---drilling now key to prevent abrupt transitions.

Richard Finger 12 is Contributor to Forbes Magazine, a full-time equity options trader in Houston Texas, has a BS in economics from UC Berkeley and an MBA in finance from the U of Pennsylvania Wharton School. “Exposing the folly in boardrooms and capital markets,” <http://www.forbes.com/sites/richardfinger/2012/07/27/more-data-natural-gas-is-heading-higher/print/> Accessed date: 1-6-13 y2k

The weekly EIA gas storage numbers arrived on Thursday and the trend continues. Yesterday’s

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upon us. $8.00 gas is coming, so prepare.

#### Shale gas production is insufficient.

Dyer 1-4 Gwynne Dyer, Fri Jan 04 2013 Shale gas won’t change the game, <http://www.therecord.com/opinion/columns/article/863635--shale-gas-won-t-change-the-game>, accessed 1/4/13, mcmc

Which of the following statements is true? The United States now has a 100

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it will still be importing a large proportion of its oil in 2035.