

- 19 Humanitarian Rationale - US doesn't get into Africa  
 21. US trying to police the whole world - Not like empires of old.  
 25 - 2002 Chart of Defense Spending  
 26 Graph of Defense Spending  
 27 Military R&D - 7 times Next Country (France)  
 30 Informal Empire - allows us to pressurize anti-imperialist self concept.  
 31 IRAN - Eisenhower - CIA sponsored Coup against Democracy in IRAN (1953?)  
 CHILE - CIA - NIXON - elected Allende govt.  
 Guatemala  
 Nicaragua - Contras  
 37 Benefits of Empire - Accrue to Narrow, powerful groups.  
 38 - Make Causal Link between US Foreign Policy and Al Qaeda attacks on US Targets Not "hate our freedom"  
 40 - USA - Barbaric conduct to Quell Phillipine Insurgency  
 41 Athens Island of Melos - Attempted to make a moral case for peace - strong liberal  
 44 - Democracies - Start Wars to Counteract loss of Public Support at home.  
 Note: Expansionists win by Nationalism/Patriotism  
 Use propaganda to quell dissent.  
 45 US Empire - None of Benefits - All of disadvantages of Traditional Empire  
 Now inhibited from taking Traditional Plunder.  
 We gain very little \$ from empire. lost money even with Cost/Benefit Problem.  
 And Protecting Nations who could protect themselves  
 49 Even for Adam Smith - empire was a waste of money - it Made the Center Poorer - Trade would naturally occur even without empire.  
 50 - Meddling of Empirymakers vs More Vulnerable - 9/11  
 51 - Elite get Prestige Influence - At Steppin' from commoner  
 51 - Only the Peoples Branch of Govt - Congress has the power to declare war.  
 First 175 years - Good policy Take advantage of secure geography & have military restraint overseas Benefit - Low Spending - Small Army

- 52 Why Founding Fathers would be appalled at Military Empire  
 53 Conservatism - Most agree w/ spreading "democracy" and free markets around the world at the point of a gun.  
 59 Why Cons. Should be against:  
 • War and Empire Cause Government Growth  
 60 - War caused Big Government in the First Place  
 Burren: "War is the health of the state."  
 60 Nation States themselves evolved to have the money to buy the new weapons of war.  
 Tilly "War made the State and the State made war."  
 ① Keeper / Control - The greater the (perceived) external threat facing a state, the bigger and more autocratic its govt will be.  
 90% of US govt is small 1/2 to 1/5 the size of the US's. Exaggerated Soviet Threat to win support for empire / spending  
 Iran's Democracy Destroyed - Shaka back - They had nationalized the Anglo Iranian oil company  
 Bush - Ballooning mushrooming Govt. - Clinton - reduced Mil Ind Com - Still building latest fighters and such even if there is nothing to oppose them.  
 So - war is main 20th cent. cause of growth of govt. - Don't have endless war if you want small govt.  
 ② High Defense Spending hurts economic growth  
 Produces nothing useful to consumers and it takes money from However financed, war causes drop in real wealth & real income in the economy  
 77 500,000 Children? - Many others UN estimates  
 80 - Many others US/UK UN Sanctioned killed by Comprehensive US/UK UN Sanctioned  
 US Policy has killed far more Iraqis than Saddam  
 86 - No Situation in the World that can't be made worse by military intervention. AND - the more we interfere ("help") the bigger the backlash will be  
 Iraq (Afghanistan - 3 countries) - Created a Monstrosity  
 CIA coup - Destroyed Democracy - in IRAN  
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 87 US Sponsored coup to bring Baath Party to power  
 CIA Supplied Hit Lists / Helped win Iran war  
 - Gene Loops / MakeNukes / Chemical Weapons didn't bother us. Only Oil  
 88 In Afghanistan - Carter then Reagan - Shovelled aid to what became al Qaeda.

90 Geographic Advantage - Makes us intrinsically more secure - Giant mts, friendly neighbors - Getting involved in other people's wars puts H Bomb a bulls eye on USA. Blowback terrorism because of our activist foreign policy.

91 Most empires Overextended themselves - Great conflicts often brought empires down. Even if they won WWII destroyed winning Brit & French empires - by depletion of resources.

98 U.S. military (Army) Operates in 120 countries

103 Retrenchment - Solidification - Much more likely to protect American Power in the future than war.

105 Real "Security Budget" is about twice the Defense budget Foreign Aid, Interest, Nat. Debt., Veterans Services

106 "Defense" budget skyrocketed in recent years. - After end of Cold War

Allies - save \$ by US subsidizing defense - plow that back to get faster real growth U.S. stagnates - Defenses spending constrains growth in power - Difference of a percentage point or two - leads to shift in power.

Also - Prosperity / Technology diffuse from the center + make other countries stronger.

107 US Subsidies defense of E.U. and Japan.

109 China has been the center of the world for 2 of the last 3,000 years - Rome, West.

Extended Commitments, bloated Military Spending, Recipe for collapse, USA 400 Bil - China 50 Bil.

Military spending  $\rightarrow$  stagnation - Both China & India could have bigger economies by mid century

Imperial Overreach Wars, brought down Empires in 20th Cent.

91 Maintaining an Empire  $\rightarrow$  lead to America's Decline.  
① Maintaining an Empire could lead to America's Decline.  
② War could Distort the Constitution.

114 Cons. may support empire (& the wars it needs) despite the fact that it continues to erode the system of checks and balances of the Const. the foundation of the USA Washington Against Military Industrial Complex inauspicious & hostile to Republican Liberty.

Before 20th Cent. Congress was dominant Now with constant "wars" "hot cold religious or cultural we have imperial Executive.

No Way the American way of Government, & ultimately the American way of life can be maintained if we allow an executive to maintain a policy of endless war

114 In wartime Powers flows to the president But Founders didn't consider Big Brother and Endless

115 Founders' Positions  
Some modified father of the U.S. Constitution War is in fact the true nature of

John Adams Prez #2 The law of power is not absolute and un-controllable... there is danger from all men

... trust no man living with power to endanger the public liberty.

Madison: "A standing military force with an overgrown Executive, will not long be safe companions to liberty. So Most War power was vested with Congress.

But No Congressional Declaration of War issued since WWII

117 The most menacing threat are those who have no power and only know how to deal with menacing threat.

And only rarely exercise the power of the purse.

lose  
because (Goring) in First Flush of war, branded as unpatriotic elector.

118 Cold war led to a perversion of US constitution - Executive war making

123 Before WWII Americans had been suspicious of standing armies and militarism

133 Puerto Rico - first Imperialist Act Took over an elected govt. + imposed military rule.

135 1915-1934 - US went into Haiti + wrecked it dissolved parliament

155 If we didn't get involved in other people's Civil Wars we would be a target.

137 US will need "bloody minded attitude"

157 Developing Countries - Benefit more from Ending Import Restrictions (Raw material + Manufacture) terminating subsidies to American Farmers. S. Africa - would be happy to

drop all aid.

Defense is hidden subsidy for Big Business  
In 1953 Guatemala 1954 prevented Nationalization

161 1821 John Quincy Adams - America Does Not Go in Search of Monsters to destroy

If she becomes dictator of the world she would no longer be ruler of her own spirit

USA - Uniquely Defined by its liberties. Foreign Policy is to defend it

WAR - Killed Greek Democracy AND The Roman Republic

Greatest Drawbacks of Imperial wars may beat home loss of liberties

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- 167 - Imperial republics are prone to authoritarian takeover.  
History  
War - "The sweet and shortest means to destroy liberty" - De  
Madison - No Nation could preserve its freedom in the midst of  
Continual warfare" (more) - History in USA ...  
168 4th Amend - "No Warrants shall issue, but upon probable cause"  
And 5th Amendment - and 6th Amendment (Constitution)  
only Congress can suspend habeas corpus, indefinite  
detention.  
170 George Bush says "Fighting for Freedom" - but has constricted  
those freedoms more than any president in memory.  
173 6th Amendment  
"speedy and Public Trial  
~~U.S. Foreign Policy Exposed~~  
173 - "Effective counsel"? Now Monitoring ~~Attorney/Client~~ Attorney/Client  
Relationships.  
174 Patriot II - Allows citizenship to be stripped away  
DNA database for suspects. Refusal to give DNA a crime.  
175 Core principles of Due Process.  
Are we more interested in protecting terrorists? NO we know  
that whatever practices are approved for "terrorists" will  
soon be used on citizens. Standing up for our Country/Constitution  
175 Ivan Eland This is the  
@ Think of Terrorism as a Crime - Not a War Basic Problem  
A broad high profile War on Terror just generates more  
anti US Terrorist Attacks - "Blowback" or "lightning Rod" or  
"presenting targets" approach. BUT They want the war  
to be "war leaders" so they can maintain secrecy, spy on  
everyone, and take all power to themselves. They say it is their  
They are handing Osama Victory, if his goal is what they say it is.  
182 Think "Opportunity Cost" of all this WAR  
lower terrorism by "tuning down" foreign policy. Without big  
WEBSITE change in foreign policy we can never protect every-  
thing without police state. That's the way things are heading.  
• Wars spikes corporate welfare  
184 Defense budget - more than half of federal discretionary  
Spending. NYC fat shapely  
185 Biden hoses NYC fat shapely  
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Imperial Foreign Policy generated Imperial Presidency.  
191 - Greatest wisdom of the Constitution in the clause which confides  
the question of war and peace to the legislature, and not the Executive  
"temptation would be too great for any one man."  
USA has constantly fabricated reasons to go to war.  
Cong. war power usurped Since 1945 100,000s of hundred  
in undeclared wars.

192 - President is Commander in Chief - After Congress declares war.

194 "Support for the Troops" Now means support forgetting them killed in actions that bear little resemblance to relation to National Security.

Governing quote - Congress has abdicated its most important powers under the constitution. Founders knew what undermines freedom of the republic.

196 "They Hate our Freedom" crap SKR fully directs attention away from the consequences of imperialism.

197 Events like 9/11 are called "Blowback" terrorism

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196 Other free nations are Not so threatened by terrorism as we are. They don't poke sticks into everybody's play zone.

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EMPIRE - and wars needed to maintain it - as slowly destroying the American republic. Like Greece to Rome

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205 - War on Terror is used to cloak Imperial actions.

Like Iraq "Bait and Switch" - Provides cover to launch

offensive war against anyone we don't like (9/11)

Imperialism/Rumsfeld "Maybe out of this (9/11) opportunity (like after

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