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TFA Fall 2013 Item 2. A Bill to Create a Presumed Consent Organ Donation System

BE IT ENACTED BY THE Student CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

**Section 1**. The United States will mandate states to create an “Opt-out” system for nationwide organ donation instead of the current “Opt-in” System.

**Section 2**. People will now choose to withhold donating their organs rather than the status quo, in which U.S citizens choose to donate their organs.

**Section 3.**  Enforcement will be handled by the Department of Health and Human Services through The Organ Procurement and Transplantation Network,

**Section 4.** States found in noncompliance will lose federal funds for Health & Human Services.

**SECTION 4.** This law will take effect January 1, 2014.

**Section 5.** All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

*Introduced for Congressional Debate by Shepton High School*

# TFA Fall 2013 Item 3. A Resolution to renegotiate NAFTA to access its’ impacts

**WHEREAS**, The purposes of the North American Free Trade Agreement (NAFTA) are to ‘create an expanded and secure market’ for goods and services, to enhance the competitiveness of firms in the global market, to achieve economic, social, and environmental benefits

**WHEREAS**, NAFTA has resulted in a United States trade deficit with Mexico and Canada that exceeded $93,000,000,000 in 2010, and more than $1,300,000,000,000 since the agreement’s inception

**WHEREAS**, NAFTA has facilitated and accelerated the outsourcing of United States manufacturing facilities and jobs to lower-wage Mexico and has led to nearly 1,000,000 American job losses

**WHEREAS**, In response to NAFTA competitive pressures agribusinesses have encouraged environmental degradation that amount to $36 billion per year in pollution and result in deforestation at a rate of 630,000 hectares per year.

**RESOLVED,** That the Congress here assembled permit the President to confer with the Governments of Canada and Mexico and renegotiate the terms of NAFTA to provide for implementation of emergency adjustments of tariffs, quotas, and other protection measures to stabilize and balance the flow of trade and benefits among NAFTA Parties

*Introduced for Congressional Debate by Kerr High School*

# TFA Fall Item 4. A Resolution to Eliminate Interest Rates on FAFSA Loans to Reduce Student Debt

**WHEREAS**, Students already incur insurmountable debt from the cost of college education; and

**WHEREAS**, The Federal Government is profiting off of the interest paid by students through the use of student loans; and

**WHEREAS**, Out of the 20 million students that go to college each year, 12 million rely on student loans; and

**WHEREAS,** 37 million of all Americans have outstanding student debt, averaging at $25,000 per person; and

**WHEREAS**,Eliminating interest rates would help alleviate student loan debts and allow for more consumer spending, spurring the US economy; now, therefore, be it

**RESOLVED,** That the Congress here assembled make the following recommendation to eliminate interest rates on FAFSA loans.

*Introduced for Congressional Debate by Anderson High School*

# TFA Fall 2013 Item 5. A Resolution to Improve International Adoption

**WHEREAS**, The lack of a stable and responsive caregiver is particularly difficult to ameliorate within an institutional setting; and

**WHEREAS**, Children typically experience several shifts of caregivers each day and have significantly less face-to-face social contact with caregivers than do family-reared infants; and

**WHEREAS**, Worldwide, institutional rearing has been associated with delays in physical, behavioral, cognitive, and socio-emotional development; and

**WHEREAS,** It has been demonstrated that even when institutions provide adequate nutrition, healthcare, and stimulation, children still exhibit persistent socio-emotional difficulties; and

**WHEREAS**,The current slow and deliberate international adoption process keeps children institutionalized for extended periods of time; now, therefore, be it

**RESOLVED,** That the Congress here assembled propose and negotiate amendments to the strict mandates issued by the Hague Conference on Private International Law (HCCH), in order to insure a more efficient adoption process to place institutionalized children into the care of responsible parents.

*Introduced for Congressional Debate by Bellaire High School.*

# TFA Fall 2013 Item 6. A Resolution to Invalidate Gene Patents

**WHEREAS**, the human genome is currently patentable property to companies; and

**WHEREAS**, 40,000 patents on the human genome are currently held by companies covering around 20% of human genes; and

**WHEREAS**, these patents give monopoly to these companies over all information having to do with these genes thus stifling potential outside research and tests into diseases and treatments and oftentimes denying patients knowledge of their own genetic information; and

**WHEREAS**,the human body should not be property owned by another; and human genes are products of nature therefore making them ineligible for patents and giving companies the monopoly and right to solely control the research regarding it greatly inconveniences high risk patients in need of a cure; all patients should be able to freely test their DNA as medically necessary; now, therefore, be it

**RESOLVED,** That the Student Congress here invalidate all patents on the human genome.

*Introduced for Congressional Debate by Jasper High School*

**TFA Fall 2013 Item 7. A Bill to Stabilize Relations between Iraq and Kurdistan**

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

**Section 1**. The United States encourages the following:

1. The Federal Government of Iraq and the Kurdistan Regional Government should resolve transport fees on existing oil pipelines.
2. The Federal Government of Iraq should ensure that payments owed by Iraqi oil companies operating in Iraqi Kurdistan are made.
3. The Kurdistan Regional Government should negotiate with Turkey to limit the amount of oil exported through pipelines to Turkey.

**Section 2**. Thirty million dollars in funding for economic development will be granted to the Kurdistan Regional Government and fifty million dollars in funding for economic development will be granted to the Federal Government of Iraq if all three conditions in Section 1 are met.

**Section 3.** The Secretary of State will determine when all three conditions are met.

1. The Office of U.S. Foreign Assistance Resources will be responsible for providing funds to the named governments.
2. The Office of U.S. Foreign Assistance Resources will document how the funds are being spent.

**SECTION 4.** Funds shall be granted within three months of successful negotiations.

**Section 5.** All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

*Introduced for Congressional Debate by Plano Senior High School*

TFA Fall 2013 Item 8. A Resolution to Combat Currency Manipulation

**WHEREAS**, Artificial distortion of the value of currency unnaturally tips the balance of bilateral trade in favor of one country over another; and

**WHEREAS**, By buying Western governments’ monetary assets, the most egregious currency manipulators have cost the US and Eurozone economy potentially millions of jobs over the past decades; and,

**WHEREAS**, Currency manipulation for the purpose of increasing trade surpluses is strictly prohibited by the Articles of Agreement of the International Monetary Fund, but no current mechanism exists for international enforcement; and,

**WHEREAS**, Currency manipulators such as China, Saudi Arabia, and Russia use such illegitimate practices to lessen US influence abroad; now, therefore, be it,

**RESOLVED,** By the Congress here assembled, that the US government restrict purchases of US financial assets by recognized and/or suspected currency manipulators abroad.

*Introduced for Congressional Debate by Greenhill School*

**TFA Fall 2013 Item 9. A Bill to Recognize Palestine to Promote Middle Eastern Peace**

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

**Section 1**. The United States shall recognize the state of Palestine as an independent sovereign entity in the international community.

**Section 2**. Recognition is defined as extending full diplomatic initiatives, including but not limited to, the allowance of ambassadors and other diplomatic missions.

**Section 3.** The State Department shall enforce this action.

**SECTION 4.** This legislation shall be implemented as soon as it is enacted.

**Section 5.** All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

*Introduced for Congressional Debate by Southlake Carroll.*

**TFA Fall 2013 Item 10. A Bill to Abolish the Minimum Wage**

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

**Section 1**. The U.S. Department of Labor should abolish all minimum wage provisions within the Fair Labor Standards Act (FLSA).

**Section 2**. The FLSA was originally implemented in 1938 to ban oppressive child labor, set the minimum hourly wage at 25 cents, and the maximum work week at 44 hours.

**Section 3.** The U.S. Department of Labor will be responsible for enforcing this Bill.

1. This will require the Department of Labor to ensure all businesses are free to pay what each business specifies in their contract or application with employees.

**SECTION 4.** This Bill will go into effect on January 1, 2014.

**Section 5.** All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

*Introduced for Congressional Debate by Cypress Lakes High School*

**TFA Fall 2013 Item 11. A Bill to Remove the Public Safety Clause from the Miranda Rule**

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

**Section 1**. The Public Safety clause of the Miranda rule shall be removed to provide all detained people with Miranda rights.

**Section 2**. Miranda rights shall be defined as legal requirement that a criminal suspect shall be told of standing constitutional rights before interrogation.

**Section 3.** All domestic law enforcement organizations will provide all suspects with Miranda Rights.

**SECTION 4.** Removal of Public Safety clause must occur by June 2014

**Section 5.** All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

*Introduced for Congressional Debate by Bellaire High School*

# TFA Fall 2013 Item 12. A Resolution to Eliminate Agriculture Subsidies to Concentrated Animal Feeding Operations

**WHEREAS**, Animals are being tortured in concentrated animal feeding operations throughout the United States; and

**WHEREAS**, Animals are forced to live in their own feces, urine, vomit, and even amid the corpses of other animals; and

**WHEREAS,** These feeding operations result in unsanitary situations which harm U.S. consumers; and

**WHEREAS**,The suffering of sentient non-humans is morally the same, the species barrier does not justify discrimination; now, therefore, be it

**RESOLVED,** That the Congress here assembled should eliminate all of the United States agricultural subsidies for concentrated animal feeding operations.

*Introduced for Congressional Debate by Hendrickson High School.*

# TFA Fall 2013 Item 13. A Resolution to Amend the Renewable Fuel Standards Act

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**WHEREAS**, Corn is a crucial component of the American food supply, both as an agricultural product and as animal feed; and

**WHEREAS**, Recent drought years have led to decreased corn crops; and

**WHEREAS**, Federal Renewable Fuel Standards (RFS) sets requirements which result in 40% of the U.S. corn crop being reserved for the production of ethanol; and

**WHEREAS**,Insufficient corn supply for agriculture leads to increased food prices, be it

**RESOLVED,** That the Congress here assembled allow RFS percentage to be tied to free market supply and demand, using the Stocks-to-Use ratio.

*Introduced for Congressional Debate by Harker Heights High School*

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# TFA Fall 2013 Item 14. A Resolution to Repeal the US Trade Agreement with ASEAN

**WHEREAS**, The ASEAN nations continue to experience fragmentation in the organization ; and

**WHEREAS**, Products that are made in the nations of ASEAN undermine US based companies by flooding the domestic market with cheaper goods; and

**WHEREAS**, Environmental harms have increased because of the US-ASEAN trade agreement; and

**WHEREAS**,China continues to assert its dominance over the ASEAN economic council; and

**WHEREAS,** The US trade agreement continues to allow China to manipulate American markets now, therefore, be it

**RESOLVED,** That the US rescind its support for the US-ASEAN Expanded Economic Engagement initiative.

*Introduced for Congressional Debate by The Parish Episcopal School of Dallas*

**TFA Fall 2013 Item 15. A Bill to Raise Excise Taxes on Tobacco Products to Increase Government Revenue**

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

**Section 1**. A federal excise tax of 4% shall be added to the state excise tax on cigarette and tobacco goods.

**Section 2**. Tobacco product shall refer to any product made or derived from tobacco that is intended for human consumption, including, but not limited to, cigarettes, cigars, chewing tobacco, and smokeless tobacco.

**Section 3.** The FDA will be responsible for collecting the proposed taxes in each state and transferring it to the Federal Government with all deliberate speed.

1. The resulting government revenue will be used in conjunction to the upkeep of national necessity including but not limited to: infrastructure, education purposes, and economic aid.
2. Failure of distributers to comply with the FDA will result in fines which shall start at no less than $500.
3. Successive offenses will result in increased fines and legal action.

**SECTION 4.** This bill will take effect on January 1st, 2015.

**Section 5.** All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

*Introduced for Congressional Debate by Klein Oak High School*

TFA Fall 2013 Item 16. A Bill to Indict Domestic Terrorists as Enemy Combatants

BE IT ENACTED BY THE STUDENT CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

**Section 1**. United States citizens responsible for acts of domestic terrorism will be tried as enemy combatants in a military court instead of being tried as a criminal in a civilian court so as to streamline the process of apprehending terrorists.

**Section 2**. Such persons would be denied rights normally given to United States citizens, such as the right to remain silent and the right to an attorney.

1. Those being currently tried as civilians will be transferred to a military court upon passage of this bill.
2. Such persons tried as an enemy combatant as a result of this bill will be detained in a military prison.

**Section 3.** The United States Congress will oversee this transition.

1. The law will be added to the United States Code after it has been passed among the members of the United States Congress.

**SECTION 4.** This law will go into effect immediately after passage.

**Section 5.** All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

*Introduced for Congressional Debate by Jasper High School*

TFA Fall 2013 Item 17. A Bill to Counter Chinese Cyber-attacks

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

**Section 1**. The Federal Government will allocate $1 billion to the Department of Education for the purpose of fostering manpower capable of countering foreign cybersecurity threats.

**A**. At least one-third of this money shall be spent on Mandarin Chinese education in public middle and high schools, and the Department of Education will officially encourage the termination of Latin, French, German, and Italian programs in favor of Mandarin ones in public schools.

B. The remainder shall be spent on offering various more sophisticated computer programming courses at the high school level.

**Section 2**. The Federal Government will further allocate $100 million to the protection of key information technology, aerospace, and telecommunications network firms for the purpose of increasing resistance to further foreign hacking attacks, especially towards those from the People’s Republic of China.

**Section 3.** The majority of the funds for this bill will be taken from military discretionary spending budgets.

**SECTION 4.** This law will take effect before the beginning the 2015-2016 public school year.

**Section 5.** All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

*Introduced for Congressional Debate by Greenhill School*

**TFA Fall 2013 Item 18. A Resolution to Encourage Economic Relations with Algeria**

**WHEREAS,** The United States already imports an average of 1.2 million barrels of oil a day

from Algeria; and

**WHEREAS,** a lack of foreign investment has slowed Algeria’s growth because of an inability

to move forward with WTO accession or modernize its banking sector; and

**WHEREAS,** Algeria has more untapped shale gas than the conventional stores it has made

an industry out of that have the potential to be lucrative; and

**WHEREAS,** investment in Algeria could help the US get a stronger foothold in Africa,

enabling us to compete with China for African resources; and

**WHEREAS**, economic relations provide the foundation for an increased level of the political

support Algeria already grants the United States in terms of condemning

terrorist acts (such as the attack on the American embassy in neighboring Libya)

that could continue into the future as the threat of terrorism spreads through

North Africa; now, therefore, be it

**RESOLVED,** that the United States encourages increased economic activity with the nation 1 of Algeria.

*Introduced for Congressional Debate by Sandra Day O’Connor*

TFA Fall 2013 Item 19. A Bill to Restructure the United States’ Food Aid Program

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

**Section 1**. As part of the new policy to assist the people of developing nations, the United States government will hereby buy food in developing countries instead of transporting food to such nations from American farmers overseas. Additionally, the United States will end the practice of food aid monetization.

**Section 2**. Food aid monetization is the process by which the federal government buys American-grown food and gives it to international charities and non-governmental groups; these charities and groups then sell those food products in local markets of recipient countries to finance their anti-poverty programs.

**Section 3.** The United States Agency for International Development (USAID) will be responsible for implementing this new program.

1. The USAID will be allocated $1 billion annually to provide food aid to developing nations.
2. American shippers and farmers will received a total of $500 million in transitional aid to help them adjust to the new policy.

**SECTION 4.** This law will go into effect 6 months after passage.

**Section 5.** All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

*Introduced for Congressional Debate by Southlake Carroll*

# TFA Fall 2013 Item 20. A Resolution to Improve the Standards of Public Housing.

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**WHEREAS**, over 2.3 million Americans live in public housing complexes and;

**WHEREAS**, Two-thirds of public housing residents are elderly or disabled; and

**WHEREAS**, The units offered in many public housing facilities lack modernization and are over 30 years old--the standard life expectancy for residential units;and

**WHEREAS**,While less than 15 percent of all housing units are in clearly substandard condition, approximately half qualify as severely distressed. Distressed properties may have non-functional appliances or significant damage that negatively impacts the residents; quality of life.

**RESOLVED,** That the Congress here assembled make the following recommendation ; To enforce stricter consequences on the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development to make sure that public housing units conditions are up to standards.

*Introduced for Congressional Debate by Cypress Springs High School*

**TFA Fall 2013 Item 21. A Bill to Fund Bloom Energy Servers to Provide Cleaner Electricity**

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

**Section 1**. The United States will fund an annual $5 billion towards the development of Bloom Energy Servers.

**Section 2**. Bloom Energy Servers, also called “Bloom Boxes,” have been used by major companies like Ebay and Google to counteract huge energy costs and help save the environment.

**Section 3.** The Department of Energy will issue and evaluate usage of funding.

1. Grants for Bloom Servers will be targeted to corporations and individual home owners.
2. Funding can be eliminated for lack of progress or misuse after a 3 year period.

**SECTION 4.** This will go into effect at the start of the next fiscal year.

**Section 5.** All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

*Introduced for Congressional Debate by Bellaire High School.*

# TFA Fall 2013 Item 22. A Resolution to Fund Project Orion

**WHEREAS**, Since the retirement of the Space Shuttle program, the United States has been without a vehicle to transport its astronauts into outer space; and

**WHEREAS**, This void has left the United States dependent on nations such as Russia for access to the International Space Station; and

**WHEREAS**, The Project Orion spacecraft system was originally intended to fill this void, yet fell short due to the collapse of the Constellation program as a result of a lack of funding; and

**WHEREAS**,The creation of a new space vehicle would serve to both spur technological innovation and reestablish American space dominance; now, therefore, be it

**RESOLVED,** That the Congress here assembled reappropriate funding from other sectors of the government and apply it towards the NASA budget; and, be it

**FURTHER RESOLVED,** That this funding be specifically applied towards the Project Orion spacecraft program.

*Introduced for Congressional Debate by Hendrickson High School.*

**TFA Fall 2013 Item 23. A Bill to implement a Flat Tax**

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

**Section 1**. The United States Department of Treasury should install a flat tax system allowing a single federal income tax rate for all citizens, with no regard of income.

**Section 2**. The United States is currently using a progressive tax system, requiring higher income tax on those with higher incomes and a reduced rate for those with smaller incomes.

**Section 3.** The U.S. Department of Treasury will be responsible for enforcing this bill.

**SECTION 4.** This Bill will go into effect January 1, 2014.

**Section 5.** All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

*Introduced for Congressional Debate by Cypress Lakes High School.*

# TFA Fall 2013 Item 24. A Resolution to Decrease Sanctions Placed on North Korea to Assist Humanitarian Operations

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**WHEREAS**, The UN estimates that about one-third of North Korean children under five are chronically malnourished; and

**WHEREAS**, UN humanitarian agencies such as Unicef and WHO said they have received just over a quarter of the $147 million they need for humanitarian operations in the North this year; and

**WHEREAS**, The dire funding situation leaves the UN agencies and other humanitarian actors without the ability to continue their programs; and

**WHEREAS**,Said agencies are running short of cash for basic vaccines and medicines for child killers such as pneumonia and diarrhea; now, therefore, be it

**RESOLVED,** That the Congress here assembled decrease financial sanctions placed on North Korea by 20%; and, be it

**FURTHER RESOLVED,** That if the reduction in financial sanctions placed on North Korea has no positive effect for humanitarian operations in North Korea within two years, the financial sanctions will be brought back to normal.

*Introduced for Congressional Debate by Lamar High School (Houston)*

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**TFA Fall 2013 Item 25. A Bill to Arm South Korea with Tactical Nuclear Weapons**

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

**Section 1**. The US will re-institute the presence of tactical nuclear weapons (TNW) on the South Korean peninsula in accordance with defense arrangement with the South Korean government

**Section 2**. The TNWs will consist of W33 and W25 weapon designs

1. They will be placed in three locations: Camp Hovey; Camp Long; and Camp Carroll
2. They will be manned by US military personal

**Section 3.** The Department of Defense will be charged with installing, monitoring, and manning these nuclear weapons sites.

1. $20 billion will be allotted for the construction and installation of these nuclear warheads.
2. Each base will be built with a launch capability of at least 15 weapons.

**SECTION 4.** This will be implemented by March of 2014.

**Section 5.** All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

*Introduced for Congressional Debate by Plano Senior High School*

TFA Fall 2013 Item 26. A Resolution to Abolish Birthright Citizenship for Children Born to Noncitizen Parents

**WHEREAS**, Suspicion has arisen that pregnant visitors to the United States from the Middle East give birth and return to their home countries to raise their children as terrorists with citizenship; and

**WHEREAS**, Birthright citizenship to all born in United States jurisdiction to citizen parents will remain intact; and

**WHEREAS**, Birthright citizenship to children born to noncitizen parents will not be automatically granted, rendering birthright citizenship as right of soil and right of blood; and

**WHEREAS**, unrestricted citizenship will be granted to US-born noncitizens after 14 years of continuous residency from birth; and

**WHEREAS**, provisional citizenship with specific stipulations towards foreign travel and domestic residence will be in place until the child’s fourteenth birthday; and

**WHEREAS**, preference will be given to parents of delayed-birthright citizens in the naturalization process; and

**WHEREAS**, citizenship status for all current citizens will remain unaffected by this resolution; now, therefore, be it

**RESOLVED,** That the Congress here assembled make the following recommendation for the abolishment of automatic birthright citizenship for children born to noncitizen.

*Introduced for Congressional Debate by Klein Oak High School.*

TFA Fall 2013 Item 27. A Resolution to Withdraw from the Republic of Korea

**WHEREAS**, The Republic of Korea, or South Korea, is one of the most prosperous nations in the world, and boasts a sophisticated and highly capable military fighting force of its own; and,

**WHEREAS**, United States presence in the Republic of Korea has gradually drawn more and more ire from Korean citizens, leading to tensions that have previously manifested in widespread rioting; and,

**WHEREAS**, The threat posed by the Democratic People’s Republic of Korea is incredibly small, given its chronic poverty and technological backwardness; and,

**WHEREAS**, The 30,000 United States Forces Korea (USFK) troops in the Republic of Korea today can do relatively little to serve and protect the interests of either nation; and,

**WHEREAS,** The People’s Republic of China perceives the presence of such excessive numbers of troops as a threat, and is thus motivated to further develop military technology to compete with the United States; and,

**WHEREAS,** The United States could save billions of dollars through ending military presence in the Republic of Korea; now, therefore be it

**RESOLVED,** By the Congress here assembled, that the US Government should withdraw all US troops from the Republic of Korea, disband S the USFK, and hand over all military facilities therein to the ROK Armed Forces.

*Introduced for Congressional Debate by Greenhill School*

# TFA Fall 2013 Item 28. A Resolution to Ratify SALT II

**WHEREAS**, The upkeep of nuclear weapons consumes billions of dollars of the United States defense budget; and

**WHEREAS**, Whereas the Cold War has been over for decades and the need to have nuclear weapons is becoming obsolete ; and

**WHEREAS**, Maintaining a large number of nuclear weapons poses a constant threat to United States national security ; and

**WHEREAS**,The United States failed to ratify SALT II, which would have curtailed maintenance and need of nuclear weapons

**RESOLVED,** That the Congress here assembled make the following recommendation that the United States ratify SALT II

**FURTHER RESOLVED,** That the United States make the same recommendation to all other countries that own nuclear weapons.

*Introduced for Congressional Debate by Southlake Carroll.*

TFA Fall 2013 Item 29. A RESOLUTION TO CUT FOREIGN AID

1 **WHEREAS,** the United states cannot afford to maintain a high standard

2 of living while continuing to financially aid other countries

3 at current levels; and

4 **WHEREAS** The US national debt is presently rising two million dollars per

5 hour; and

6 **WHEREAS,** Every tax payer and person dependant upon a tax payer in

7 America is affected by the injured U.S. economy; and

8 **WHEREAS,** If this country continues to give away money that it does not

9 have without expectations of return or profit, economists predict

10 another depression very quickly.

11 **WHEREAS,** If the US economy crashes, those countries we are aiding will

12 suffer equally devastating circumstances, and

13 **WHEREAS,** The US is currently providing foreign aid to countries guilty

14 of acting against US interests; now therefore be it

15 **RESOLVED,** By the Congress here assembled that the United States cut

16 all foreign aid by fifty percent.

*Introduced for Congressional Debate by Hallsville High School*

**TFA Fall 2013 Item 30. A Bill to Provide Federal Subsidies to**

**New Weapon Detection Systems**

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

**Section 1**. The Federal Government will provide study grants for the research, development, and implementation of millimeter gun and explosive radar detection systems for use in public areas.

**Section 2**. The Defense Department will initially work with the University of Michigan, College of Engineering to further develop the ability to detect large objects such as guns and explosives being carried by individuals and expand the grant program as needed.

**Section 3.** Department of Defense will oversee the implementation of this act.

**SECTION 4.** Funding will be provided by the Defense budget and will go into effect on January 1, 2014.

**Section 5.** All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

*Introduced for Congressional Debate by Grapevine High School.*