

## Political Stands of the Proletarian Vanguard

**Iraq War:** Upon assuming office, we will do what we can to cease hostility, build a stable government, and exit.

The war should not have been started, but the country is our burden now, and we cannot justly leave it. The Bourgeoisie have wreaked havoc on a country due to its imperialistic greed, and now it is our burden to undo the damage we have caused. We will speak to the people, and see what their desire is, for the future of their country.

**Foreign Relations:** We will do our best to build strong, healthy relations with other countries. Rather than brand other countries with titles such as “Axis of Evil” we will instead look to why they dislike us in the first place, and do what we can to build friendly, mutually beneficial relations with other nations.

**Health Care:** Health Care will be nationalized under our leadership. 40 million Americans are without healthcare, and many are barely making enough to pay for it. The current system is merely making a couple of people rich, while a great number poor. In a country as wealthy as ours, no one should be without coverage.

**Abortion:** It is in our interests to make Abortions legal, but rare. A Woman deserves the right to choose what she wants to do with her body, but of course this is something that we don’t want to be a common occurrence. In order to accomplish this we need to increase sex education, instead of jumping on the abstinence bandwagon. Telling children to practice abstinence does not accomplish anything, for in today’s society, there will always be a group that engages in risky behavior regardless of abstinence vs. safe sex education. What we need to do, is recognize sex as a natural human behavior, and a natural urge, and though we should not necessarily encourage it, we need to recognize it as a reality, and to encourage safer sex, to make this unpreventable fact of society less of a risk.

**Church and State:** We recognize the need for a separation in church and state. We must recognize everyone’s ability to follow their beliefs, and allow them to follow these beliefs, without hindering on the wellbeing or freedom of others. This would show favoritism. We would never permit religion to be intertwined with politics. Our morals are based on the greater good for society, and not satisfying certain beliefs that don’t pertain to societies best interests, such as hindering the freedom of others.

**Gay Marriage:** This ties into the above. Gay Marriage has no negative benefit on society, besides going against the moral views of certain members of it. By not allowing Gay Marriage to occur, we are hindering the freedoms of certain members of our society, while providing no ulterior benefit. Hindering the freedom of one of our members of society to harm another is a just freedom to hinder for it provides a benefit, protection. But not allowing this is simply satisfying the views of a certain group of people, that are incongruous with the interests of society as a whole.

**Cuba:** We will strive toward a lifting of the Cuban Trade Embargo. The Proletarian Vanguard realizes that Cuba is no threat to us, and never was. When Kennedy encouraged Mexico to also put up an embargo due to the “threat” of Cuba the Mexican president stated “Yes, and millions of Mexicans will die of laughter”. Our embargo on Cuba is neither beneficial economically, or politically, to either country. It is in the best interest for the people of America, and the people of Cuba, to begin a healthy trade.

**NAFTA and WTO:** We realize that it is in the best interest for the workers of our country, if we cease participation in both. They merely ship American jobs overseas, and put working class Americans out of work. Our participation with these two organizations, and the disappearing middle class, is no coincidence. They do so while turning a blind eye to human rights abuses, and hide behind their wealthy lobbyists in Washington. Favoring participation in these two organizations is benefiting a minority over a majority, it’s helping a couple of people at the top, while putting Americans out of work.

**Welfare:** We are the vanguard of the working class, will do what we can to help free them from the chains of poverty. Welfare is not a waste, it’s not helping lazy people who don’t want to work, it shall be used to help people get back on their feet during times of financial trouble. No country as rich as ours should have such a shockingly high rate of poverty.

**Education:** We will do our best to increase funding to education. We realize that this is possibly the most important sector of government, and that it’s crucial to ensure new well educated, productive members of society, to help benefit their nation, and the world. The education of our children is helping ensure a productive future.

*-Teachers pay:* In particular we will increase the wages of teachers, and this new high wage will attract more people to the profession, and this will enable us to be able to be more selective with who is picked to become a teacher. As of now, teaching is one of the lowest paying jobs someone with a college degree can pursue. We must change this.

*-Standardized testing:* We will also eliminate the current standardized testing system. With the current system, teachers are encouraged to merely focus on teaching their students what is on the test. They are encouraged to do this due to the rat race going on between schools to fight for higher funding due to better test scores.

Funding should be assured, not some contest. Instead of punishing schools that are doing badly, we will instead focus on helping them, and see what the problem is, and what possible solutions are.

**Environment:** The World population is reaching 8 billion. There are only so many resources on this planet, and so many human beings this planet can contain. We must put emphasis on working to get new cleaner energy sources. This would reduce pollution, and natural gases are going to run out after a while. We are using it up much faster than it is made. Putting off this crucial task is truly putting it off. We need to take action now before the situation gets severe.

**War On Drugs:** The War on Drugs is a failure because drugs are something that were believed to be fightable with force. This is not the case. Drug Users shouldn't be looked too as criminals, but people in need of help. We are sending drug addicts, who aren't intending to hurt anyone through their actions, which they can't help anyway, to jail next to rapists and murderers. We need to realize that drug use is currently a fact of society, and being so brutal clearly hasn't halted drug use, and won't ever. We need to help these people, many of which are so gripped in addiction, that they can't even think of anything else. Do they deserve to sit in jail next to truly vile, dangerous people?

**Marijuana:** Upon assuming office, we will make clear to the people of America the lies they have been fed on the "dangers of Marijuana. When it was first made illegal in the 20's it was because apparently it "caused young men to behave violently and aggressively, and young women to marry outside of their race". That wasn't true, and neither is the garbage they are feeding the American youth. According to recent CNN Article from January children who admitted to smoking pot throughout high school, but not tobacco, had on average better grades and SAT scores. In fact many psychologists are recommending it as an alternative to many drugs with actual side effects like Adderall, and Ritalin, due to its concentration aiding effects. In addition it has been shown to be extremely effective in treating depression. It has also been shown to be extremely viable as a cancer treatment. Also to date, not one person has ever died from any direct effect of Marijuana, as opposed to other things that are perfectly legal, such as those cigarettes full of toilet bowl cleaner, and ammonia, and Alcohol which destroys your liver.

**Illegal Immigration:** We need to maintain control of our borders. As it is now, it's not very difficult for anyone to sneak into the country, be it an honest Mexican family looking for work, or terrorists. This is a clear problem. We have a dilemma in which we share two of the longest borders in the world that are between two countries, one of which is the largest. We do not view Mexican families as a problem necessarily, but other possible people that may come in, that we don't want. The illegal immigrants in our country from Mexico and other South American countries are not as large a problem as one might think. They give us a large workforce, and they aren't truly putting Americans out of work, because most of those jobs, Americans wouldn't want to do. We should encourage an easier gain of legal residence for honest workers, and instead focus on those that cross the border for more sinister purposes.

**Stem Cell Research:** We would encourage both adult, and embryonic stem cell research. This would enable us to gain potentially wonderful treatments for many diseases, and injuries. Embryonic stem cell research, has gained controversy, due to misunderstanding. It is simply a loose net of a couple of cells. You would be causing more pain and suffering by stepping on an ant, at least it has some sort of a nervous system. The possibilities are endless, and this could possibly be the most important development in medicine yet. Type 1 Diabetes, Parkinson's Disease, Paralysis, Breast Cancer, Arthritis, the question should not be should we do it, the question should be, why are we not putting more funding into this right now?