

Yale Invitational, Sept. 16-17, 2017, Parliamentary Division

Round 1, Flight A

THW immediately normalize relations with Russia.

THBT residence confers citizenship.

THBT the UN is a failure.

Round 1, Flight B

THBT the European Union is a failure.

THW hold China responsible for any military attack by North Korea.

THW expel immigrants who do not assimilate.

Round 2, Flight A

THBT voting power should vary by income and/or wealth.

THBT anyone running for office should be required to pass a competency test.

THBT referenda cause more harm than good.

Round 2, Flight B

THW give parents the right to vote for minor children (i.e., cast an additional vote for any child under the voting age).

THBT eligible voters who fail to vote should lose the privilege.

THBT media should be required to provide equal exposure to all candidates.

Round 3, Flight A

THW require anyone who discovers a security flaw to immediately disclose it.

THBT industrial espionage by less developed countries is justified.

THBT the US should retain control of the internet.

Round 3, Flight B

THBT all software in consumer products should be publicly available for review and customization.

THBT “sharing economy” companies like UBER or AirBNB should be held to the same standards as their regular economy competitors.

THW ban the use of software developed in Russia or China.

Round 4, Flight A

THBT overregulation threatens our future.

THBT overpopulation threatens our future.

THBT artificial intelligence threatens our future.

Round 4, Flight B

THBT surveillance technology threatens our future.

THBT environmental degradation threatens our future.

THBT economic inequality threatens our future.

Round 5, Flight A

THW not penalize companies that raise prices during a natural disaster.

THW tax religious organizations.

THW not permit families to transfer significant wealth between generations.

Round 5, Flight B

THW eliminate the advantages of wealth.

THW ban the purchase of lottery tickets or gambling by the poor.

THW require all workers to be represented by a union in wage negotiations.

Round Octo-Finals, Flight A

THBT parliamentary democracy is superior to presidential democracy. (Parliamentary democracy combines the legislative and executive powers; presidential democracy separates them; e.g. United Kingdom compared to the United States.)

THBT free trade is not fair trade.

THBT restricting internet access does a country more harm than good.

Round Octo-Finals, Flight B

THBT Chinese style “state capitalism” is superior to Western style “free market capitalism”.

THBT soft power is superior to hard power.

THW forcefully replace dysfunctional regimes in other countries.

Round Quarter Finals

THBT a government single-payer healthcare system is superior to a competitive free-market system.

THW price medical care according to the value of the cure.

THW permit any medical treatment agreed between a patient and their doctor.

Round Semi Finals

THW require colleges to accept students strictly on merit.

THBT students should be required to work for at least one year before attending college.

THBT everyone should be required to pass a citizenship test to graduate.

Round Final

THBT the legal system is inherently unfair to the poor.

THBT violent protest is never justified in a functioning democracy.

THBT the legal system should favor reasonable solutions over strict adherence to the law.