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This technique is at odds with the fundamental tenets of democratic deliberation that U.S. policies be established in international public spheres. This process is best accomplished through fair and open public debate, rather than deceptive and manipulative public diplomacy rigs communicative exchanges in a way that forecloses free-wheeling argumentative give-and-take.

Demonizing countries that resist the push for war polarizes conflict and lessens the possibility of a united international community for reconstruction. High-ranking European Union officials have indicated that generating support for funding the reconstruction of Iraq will face difficulty because of the perception that the United States has used heavy-handed tactics to gain assent for preventive military intervention.

The national championships represented a culmination of the season's competitive debating activity that has focused on the topic of multilateralism as a foreign policy approach. In pursuit of these principles, debaters organized a petition campaign at the two national championship tournaments this spring, attended by over 250 teams from across the country.

PHOENIX, Arizona, Cross Examination Debate Association national championship tournament, Arizona State University, March 20-23, 2003

ATLANTA, Georgia, National Debate Tournament national championship tournament, Emory University, April 3-7, 2003

PETITION TEXT

We object to the Bush Administration's manipulation of public deliberation in the implementation of its preventive military intervention policy. Worldwide political legitimacy for that policy can be forged only through a process of fair and honest public
argument. Uncritical use of forged documents purporting to link Iraq to Niger’s nuclear industry, reliance on a deceptive British report that plagiarized and misrepresented documents, and California state defense and intimidation tactics at the UN Security Council are each part of the Bush administration’s ‘win at all costs’ approach to public relations. These argumentative strategies must be reconsidered immediately, because the alienation and mistrust sown worldwide by their implementation directly, because the alienation and mistrust sown worldwide by their implementation. 

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Ms. LORETTA SANCHEZ of California. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to talk about the current state of the health care in our nation as it relates to the Hispanic community.

Figures released by the Census Bureau last Wednesday placed the Latino population at