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Essay:- Can we prevent the third world war?

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1) Introduction

Thesis Statement:- Peace continues to evade the world of 21st century. Despite the disillusionment with growing regional and international organizations, there is a glim chances of world war three. The global powers have learnt from the scourge of war ^{are} and avoiding such escalation of conflicts into war as it would take its toll squarely on the economy of a country. Nevertheless, ^{some} countries are engaged in wars currently. Given the multipolar world order, the world war three also seems inevitable sometimes. But it seems a distant reality for the world to indulge in Third world war due to national interests, ~~and~~ third party mediators, and greater advocacy of human rights organizations.

2) We can prevent the third world war by taking collective responsibility:

2a) Fostering the environment of dialogue, cooperation and peaceful existence

2b) Strengthening the role of UN-peacekeeping missions

2c) Leveraging the regional organizations for the resolution of bilateral disputes

2d) Increasing cooperation in trades rather than solely dependent on defense alliances

2e) Reducing the nationalist and ideological tendencies of states that previously led to the world wars

2f) Containing the ^{role} of Israel in middle East by US

2e) Expanding non-nuclearization efforts and role of NPT IAEA in the world

2g) Reforming the structure and functioning of the United Nations - veto power of global hegemon

2h) Shaping ^{global} public opinion through mass media - pressure to retreat and retreat the war

2i) Perfecting a balance between bilateral and multilateral relations

2j) Strengthening accountability ^{mechanisms in} of ICC and ICJ towards perpetrators of war crimes and genocides - Stringent penalty

3) The world war three seems like an inevitable danger: The other side of picture

3a) Growing tensions between nuclear powers could end up taking world into smouldering ruins. However, non-nuclearization ~~can~~ efforts of NPT and IAEA can deter the threat.

3b) The rise of China as a global hegemon is creating a Thucydides trap that would eventually lead to the war. However, China pursues the policy of peaceful existence and win-win economic growth.

3c) The failure of United Nations in preventing Russia-Ukraine and Gaza-Israel war signify the future escalation of conflicts into war and eventually into world war. However, UN is successful in advocacy against human rights atrocities and giving a platform to raise issues.

3d) Acquisition of modern technology and pinpoint accuracies in air strikes could pave a way for escalation of conflicts into full-fledge war. However, technologies are prone to cyber attacks and could be used as a direct weapon in wars.

4) Conclusion

Throughout history, moments of great change have emerged not from consensus but from conflict and struggle. From French revolution to American revolution and to the recent Feminism movements, the world has always witnessed progress through conflicts and struggle. These developments, while temporarily inflicting a cost, proved instrumental in a longer run. Such conflicts have advanced the political, economic and social phenomena of lives, promising the stability and development in a longer run. However, this is not the case at the global level. The power struggle, that determine the fate of the world in the global pyramid, has continued to erode the peace of the world. The CIA's thirst for intelligence has grown as china continues to expand its economic

cooperation, casting its ties with countries like Iran and Russia. Iran flexes its regional military muscles while North Korea offers unprecedented support to its all-weather friend Russia. This unholy trinity is a big blow to global hegemon US that continues to deter such threats with its intelligence. It reflects a reality that such conflicts, threats and disagreements would not lead to a bitter sweat ~~war~~ world of progress but would render a world of poverty, disease, illiteracy and backwardness. In short, deepening faultlines between states could lead to a scourge of world war if not prevented timely. There comes a question to one's mind. How can we prevent the third world war. A number of reforms and measures are required to prevent the prospects of world war three. First of all, the most agreeable way is to foster the environment of dialogue, cooperation and peaceful existence between the states, & strengthening the role of United Nations and its peacekeeping missions. Also, leveraging the regional organizations for the peaceful resolution of disputes, increasing trade cooperation other than the sole military alliances and perfecting a balance between bilateral and multilateral ^{relations} ~~disputes~~ could significantly deter the threat of world war three. Similarly, expanding non-nuclearization efforts, containing the policy of Israel by USA and strengthening accountability mechanisms in ICC and ICJ could also hamper the ^{escalation} ~~spread~~ of conflicts into third world war. Likewise, reducing the nationalist and ideologists tendencies of state and shaping global public opinion through mass media can also lead to the retraction of state's policies towards fuelling third world war. These measures suggest that the world could be changed into better ~~than~~ by taking these steps. However, an echo from the other side of

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debate unfolds the inevitability of third world war due to various reasons. Growing tensions between nuclear powers like china and US, rise of china as a global hegemon, creating a thucydides trap and failure of united nations in preventing wars pose a question mark on the prospects of third world war. These concerns hold a significant but not so convincing position in 21st century, where the worlds are inclined towards economic cooperation and peaceful existence to create a win-win situation for both sides. Thus, the world war three can be mitigated by taking collective responsibility. In this way, the world can be steered towards the trajectory of peace, stability, security, prosperity and development.