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Self-righteousness and Conflict in the global arena

Outline

1) Introduction

Thesis statement:

The global arena has been hunted by spectrum of conflict since the inception of international community. Basically, there are some solid reasons including self-righteousness which make the conflict a conflagration in the global arena. These conflicts are putting heavy toll on the humanity in terms of casualties, development gap etc. However, making is permanent and conflict could be turned into peace, if international community shows will by following certain steps.

2) Self-righteousness and Conflict: Realism and Liberalism Perspective

3) Why self-righteousness and conflict are recurring features of international arena?

- National interests of states
- Preservation or destabilization of the balance of power
- Ideological nature of the leaders
- Lack of international government
- Disparities in power of the states
- Ward of humanity in the humans

4) Consequences of the conflict:

- Large numbers of casualties
- Destruction of state's infrastructure
- Disruption in international trade

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and strike in inflation

(d) Refugee problem

(e) Widening development gap between developed and developing countries

5) Necessary Steps to prevent the self-righteousness and conflict at international level:

(a) - Respect for the international law

(b) More promising role of the United Nations.

(c) Awareness about the dangers of the total war

(d) Parallel development of the globe

(e) Unity against the tyranny

(6) Conclusion

Essay

"War is the continuation of the politics by other means", said by Carl von Clausewitz. He was a realist and according to realism

The international conflict is the permanent feature of international politics or realpolitics.

International conflict whether in form of total war or in form of limited conflict has been the frequent feature of the international community.

There are many reasons behind this,

but some of the core factors which always compel states to pursue the path of conflict are: national interests of states, preservation or destabilization of

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balance of power and nature of certain egoistic leaders. Moreover, international anarchy, growing disparities among states and no value for the humans are some more factors behind the international conflict. The international self-righteousness which often leads to conflict is always the cause of many sufferings: casualties of innocent people, destruction of states' infrastructure and disruption of international trade and hike in global and national inflation. Furthermore, the creation of international issue of refugee crisis and developmental gap are also some lethal impacts of international conflict. However, at international arena nothing is permanent. The state of conflict could be converted into peace if the international community has will to do so by following certain beneficial steps including: respect for international law, more promising role of the United Nations and spread awareness about the dangers of total war. Moreover, parallel development of the globe and much needed unity against tyranny are need steps to prevent the globe from the conflict.

International conflict and its frequent presence can be best understood by analysing the perspectives of two major theories of international relations: Realism and Liberalism. According to the realist thoughts, the

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international conflict is the permanent feature of the international relations. It is the continuation of politics and it is necessary for maintaining balance of power and for preservation of national interests. On the other hand, liberal perspective is that, although conflict is the permanent feature of international relations, its impacts and frequency can be reduced by focusing on international cooperation in economic, political and social aspects. Basically, international conflict is the state of dispute among international actors mainly states. In this every state wants to maximize its benefits and to minimize the chances of survival of others. Since the inception of international community there have been many conflicts at international arena, but the core factors that lead to conflicts are always same.

Firstly, National interests of states are prime factors. In preservation of states national interests a state can go to even a total war. National interests are the materialistic and ideological aspects of the state upon which state's survival depends. States always wanted to keep its national interests preserved so that it makes sure its survival. The ongoing trade-

was between China and America is the example of the conflict being fought for national interests.

Secondly, Balance of Power is also one of the major causes of the conflict at international arena. Balance of Power is the term used to indicate the balance of power and resources among international actors to prevent any one actor from attaining the status of hegemon. Now, conflict always occurs whenever states try to preserve or to destabilize the balance of power. The best illustration of this case is the Napoleonic wars which were meant to destabilize the balance of power in the center Europe to make France a great power and the alliance system of Europe before the world war I which aimed at preservation of the balance of power, but it was, in fact, the major cause of world war I.

Thirdly, Psyche of the leaders also impacts the foreign policy choices of the state. Idiosyncratic nature of leaders always leads towards the conflict. It was mainly the egoistic and conflicting nature of the Hitler which turned out responsible for the second world war in 1939.

Fourthly, international anarchy is also causing international conflicts more severe and frequent. Basically

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is the absence of government and at international level, there is no government or anything that could regulate the international relations. Every state is sovereign and only consider its national interests. So lack of international government is one of the prime factors for conflicts and self-righteousness at international arena.

Fifthly, disparities in power of states is source of international frictions. The globe is divided into developing and developed states. The developed states, mainly western states, possess all the resources and power to produce even the consequences of conflict, but the developing states lack many resources and power. They depend on developed states for their survival and when the interests of any developed country is at stake it does not care about any developing country. The current conflict between Russia and Ukraine is the best example where Russia is a ruthless state and Ukraine is just a middle state.

Lastly, want of humanity in the humans is one of the biggest cause. The world is in need of humanity. The states which are composed of humans do not care about the sufferings of humans. They only care

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about their interests. Hundreds of civilians are being killed in the Gaza, but not a single state has taken a practical step to stop the Israel. So lack of humanity is leading the suffering of humans in international conflicts.

These conflicts are the source of sufferings. These are many impacts including, killing of innocents. The large scale casualties of civilians and armed forces is one of the most lethal impacts of international conflict. The two world wars too caused the casualties of millions people. The killing of innocent children and others in Gaza is an obvious result of conflict between Israel and Gaza.

Moreover, the destruction of state's infrastructure is another consequence. The bombing of Hiroshima and Nagasaki totally devastated the cities. Was the global war on terror is the reason behind barren and underdeveloped Afghanistan. The sad city of Gaza depicts the picture of destruction caused by war.

International trade depends on the state of peace, but the state of conflict between Russia and Ukraine has been causing disruptions. Russia is one of the largest oil exporter and Ukraine is the world's largest food exporter. Now the conflict between

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them is source of international trade disruptions which automatically leads towards the hike in global and national inflation.

Thousands of palestinians are homeless and being forced to leave their country. They are forcefully deported to other countries, but it is not easy for other countries to accept them. Moreover, 3.5 million Afghan refugees in Pakistan are result of the global war on terrorism. So one of the most severe impacts of global conflicts is the crisis of refugee.

lastly, the already persisting gap between developed and developing countries is increasing due to international conflicts. The countries which experience the war are far behind in development like Afghanistan, Iraq, Syria and Yemen.

The state of conflict could be converted into state of peace if some steps are followed. The observation and respect of international law is the best way to prevent the occurrence of international conflict.

Moreover, international institutions could play their role in the establishment of peace. The most promising role of the United Nations is the need of the hour.

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Furthermore, states and communities should spread the awareness about the lethal impacts of the total war which could happen due to increasing number of conflicts.

Parallel development could be the paces for peace in the world. If all the states are developed with little or no disparities among them conflict will be a far less conclusion.

Lastly unity against tyranny is the most needed thing. For example if all the Muslim states unite against the Israel, it will be impossible for Israel to continue such atrocities against us.

Conclusively, international conflict is the most recurring feature of international community for many reasons. It is the cause of suffering of the people and states development. The conflict could be converted into peace by some beneficial steps.