

Questions for STAR♦PAC's Democratic Senate Candidate Forum on War and Peace Issues

1. Where do you fall on a foreign policy scale of 1 to 10, with 1 completely avoiding international entanglements, and 10 being extensive leadership and indispensable involvement? [DMCFR]
2. Do you support the multinational agreement constraining Iran's nuclear program? [CPM]
3. What is the appropriate role for the US in the Israeli/Palestinian conflict? [AFSC]
4. What foreign and domestic policies do you support to cope with and ultimately overcome international terrorism? [DMCFR]
5. What steps would you propose that would help the nation guard against the special interest influence of the military/industrial complex? [DMFCP]
6. Do you support an amendment to the constitution stipulating that corporate spending is not protected speech and can be limited in election campaigns? [WILPF]
7. What, if any, military programs or weapons systems do you suggest be reduced or eliminated? [ICAN]
8. Under what circumstances, if any, would you vote to intervene militarily in a country that has not declared war on the United States? [STAR*PAC]
9. Would you support a global campaign for full nuclear disarmament, including the U.S. unilaterally discontinuing the building of further nuclear weapons? [PSR]
10. Should the United States address the causes of global migration that is now greater than at any time since World War II? [LULAC]
11. What are national security implications of global climate change? Do you support working internationally to address climate change? [PSR]
12. Do you advocate that the United States follow international law with respect to the use of torture? [STAR*PAC]
13. Please explain what you believe to be an appropriate US policy regarding drones; and what you would propose putting in place for oversight. [AFSC]
14. What are the foreign policy implications of your position on global trade agreements? [ARA]
15. What actions would you support to eliminate the use of rape as a weapon of war? [WILPF]

Key for partner organizations posing the questions noted:

AFSC – American Friends Service Committee

ARA – Association of Retired Americans

CMP – Catholic Peace Ministry

DMCRF – Des Moines Committee on Foreign Relations

DMFCP – Des Moines Faith Committee for Peace

ICAN – Iowa Citizen Action Network

LULAC Iowa League of United Latin American Citizens

PSR – Iowa Physicians for Social Responsibility

WILPF – Des Moines Branch, Women’s International Peace and Freedom