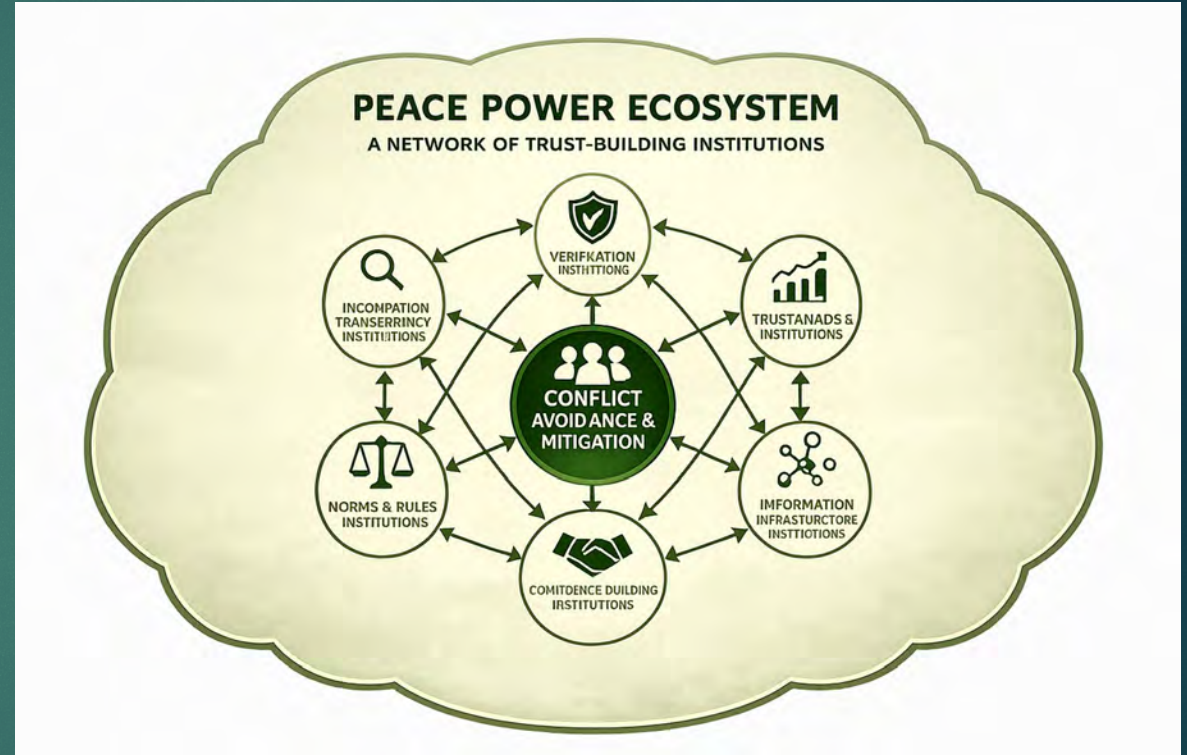


Organizing for Peace

PEACE POWER AND TRUST ENGINEERING

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What This Presentation Is About

- ▶ War Power has become dangerously maladapted.
- ▶ Peace Power offers a superior institutional alternative.
- ▶ Trust Engineering enables Peace Power.
- ▶ The Green Party can lead this transition.

THE CURRENT GLOBAL (IN)SECURITY ENVIRONMENT

Ukraine

- Protracted war involving a nuclear-armed major power.
- Continuing risk of wider escalation.

Middle East

- Iran war
- Gaza
- Lebanon
- Syria

Other unstable conflict zones

- Latin America
- South China Sea
- Africa



Nuclear Roulette



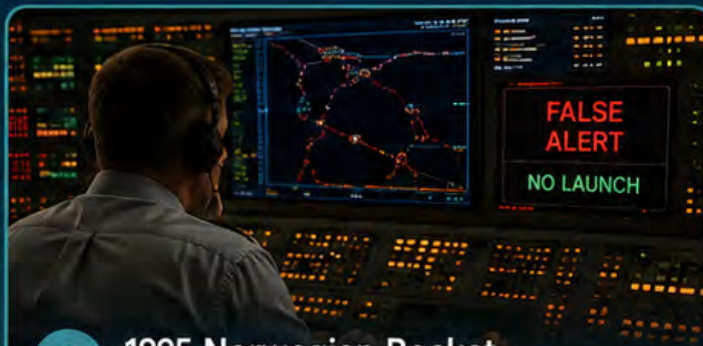
- ▶ Every major geopolitical crisis becomes another spin of the nuclear roulette wheel.

Near Misses Are Not Proof of Safety



1 1962 Cuban Missile Crisis 1962

U.S. reconnaissance detected Soviet nuclear missiles in Cuba. Close diplomatic and military management averted nuclear war.



2 1995 Norwegian Rocket Incident 1995

A research rocket was mistaken for a Russian missile. High-level verification prevented escalation.



3 1999 India-Pakistan Kargil Conflict 1999

Limited nuclear-armed conflict in the Kargil region. Intensive diplomacy prevented escalation to wider war.



4 2002 U.S. Submarine Incursion 2002

A U.S. nuclear submarine entered Russian waters undetected. Both sides avoided escalation.



5 2010 Russian False Launch Detection 2010

A technical error indicated an incoming U.S. attack. Investigation revealed a software glitch.



6 2016 U.S. Nuclear Command System Alert 2016

A false alarm during a drill indicated a real attack. The alert was a system error.

► Repeated near misses demonstrate systemic risk rather than safety.

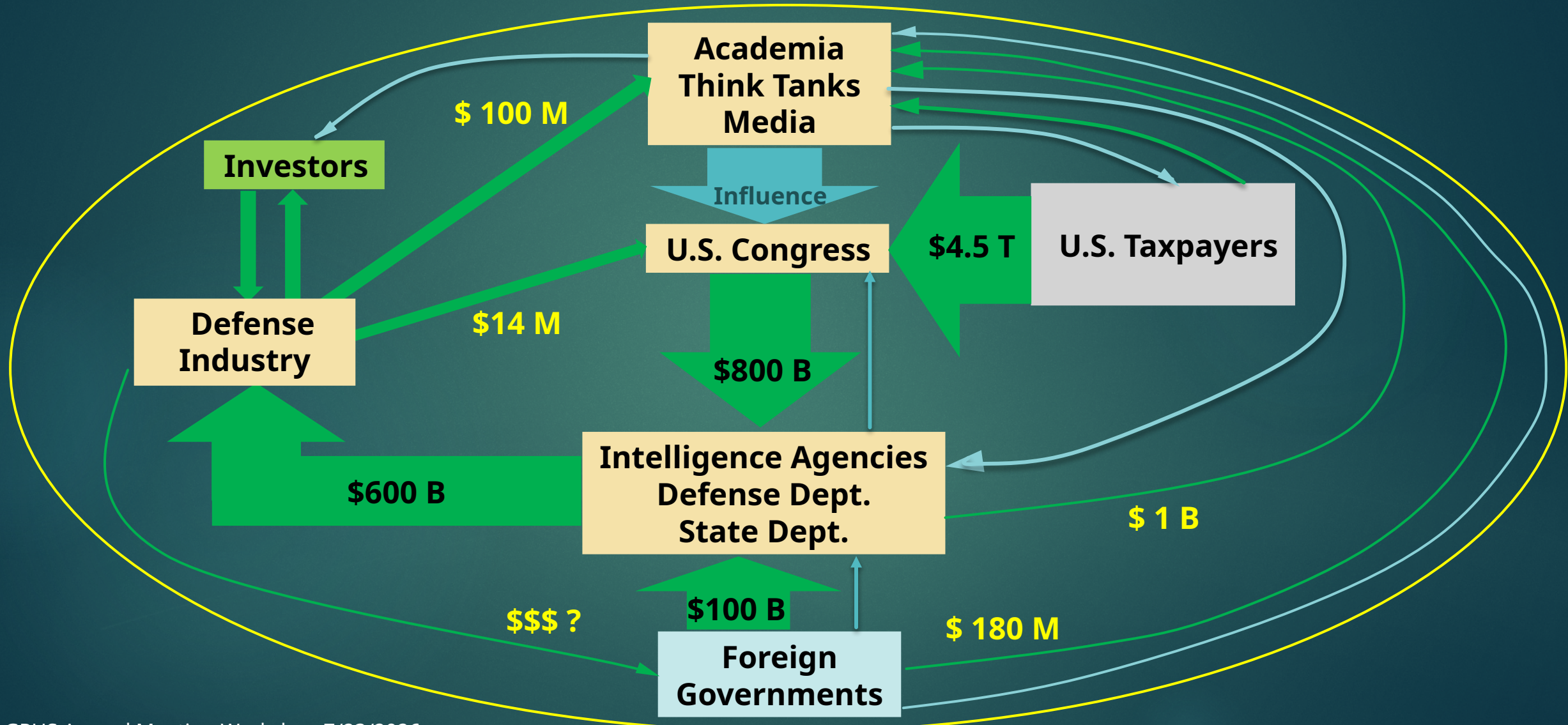
War

"There are a thousand hacking at the branches of evil to one who is striking at the root."

– Henry David Thoreau

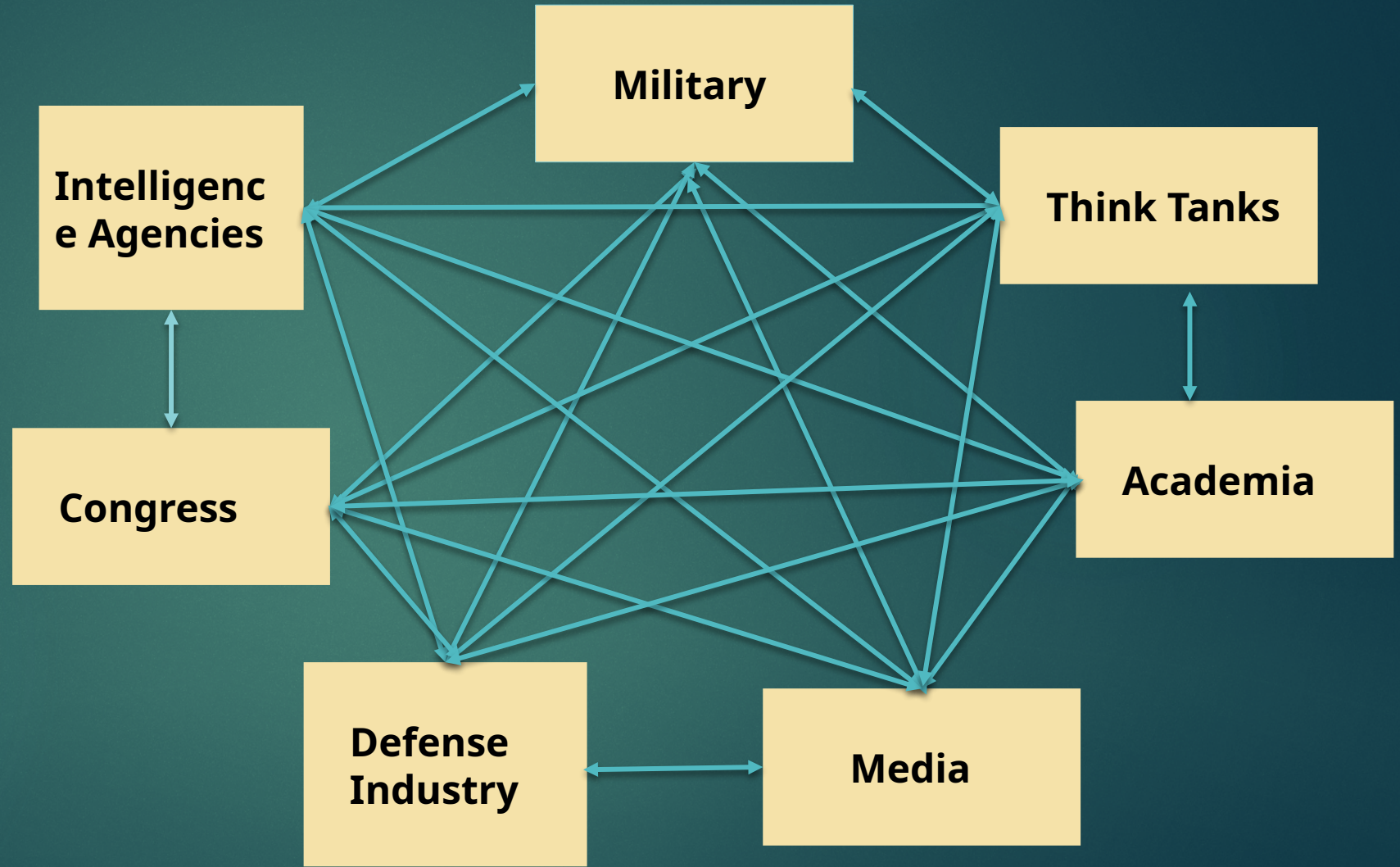


U.S. War Power Ecosystem (The Blob)



Why War Power Can't Be Killed

The War Power ecosystem has a robust mutual protection network based on financial, political, and career interests. Only an evolutionary replacement process can diminish its power.



Why Anti-War Action Has Often Been Ineffective

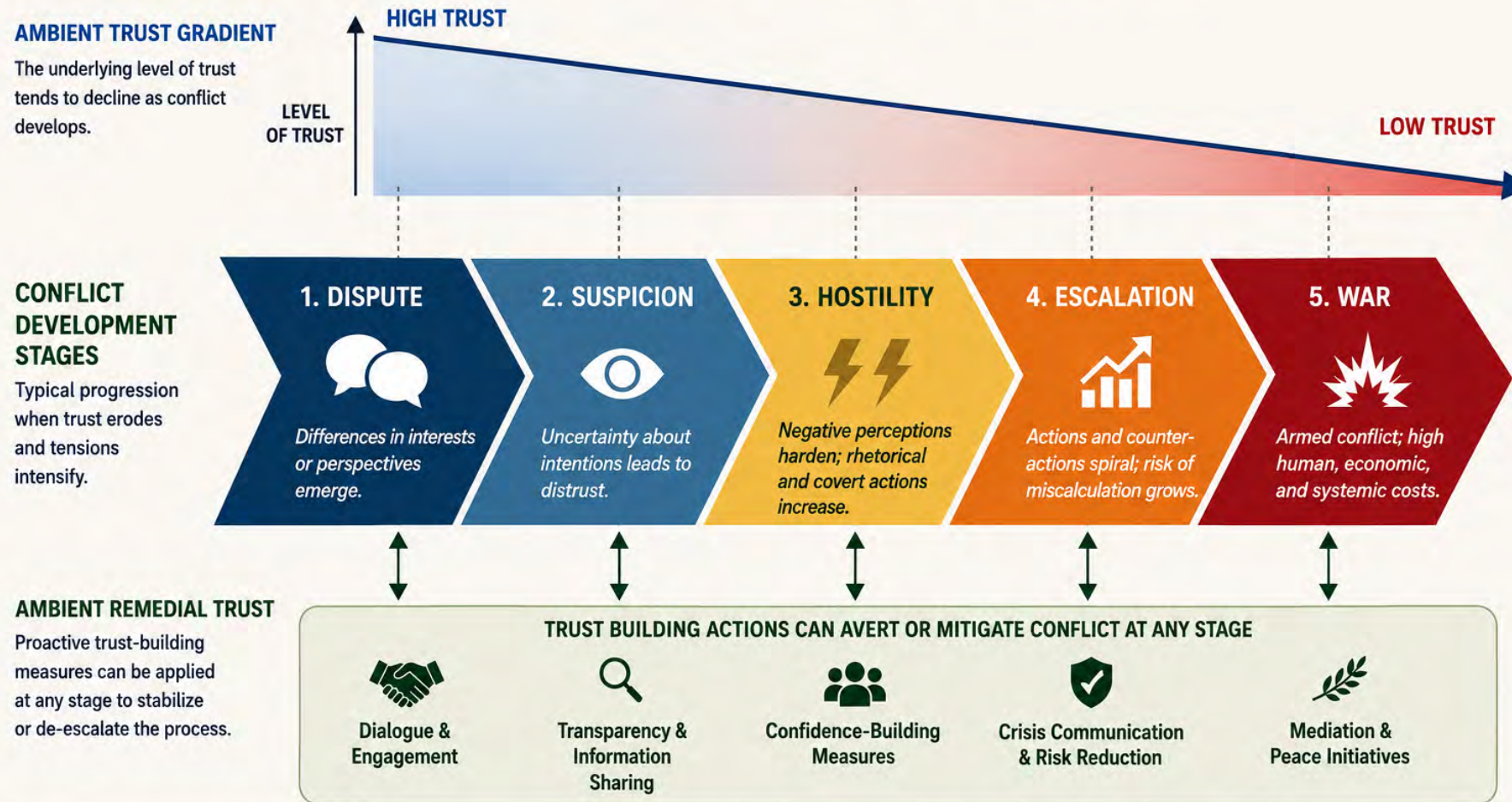
- ▶ Reactive
- ▶ Episodic
- ▶ Conflict-specific
- ▶ Politically divided
- ▶ No affirmative agenda



Trust is the Inhibitor of Armed Conflict

THE ARMED CONFLICT DEVELOPMENT CYCLE

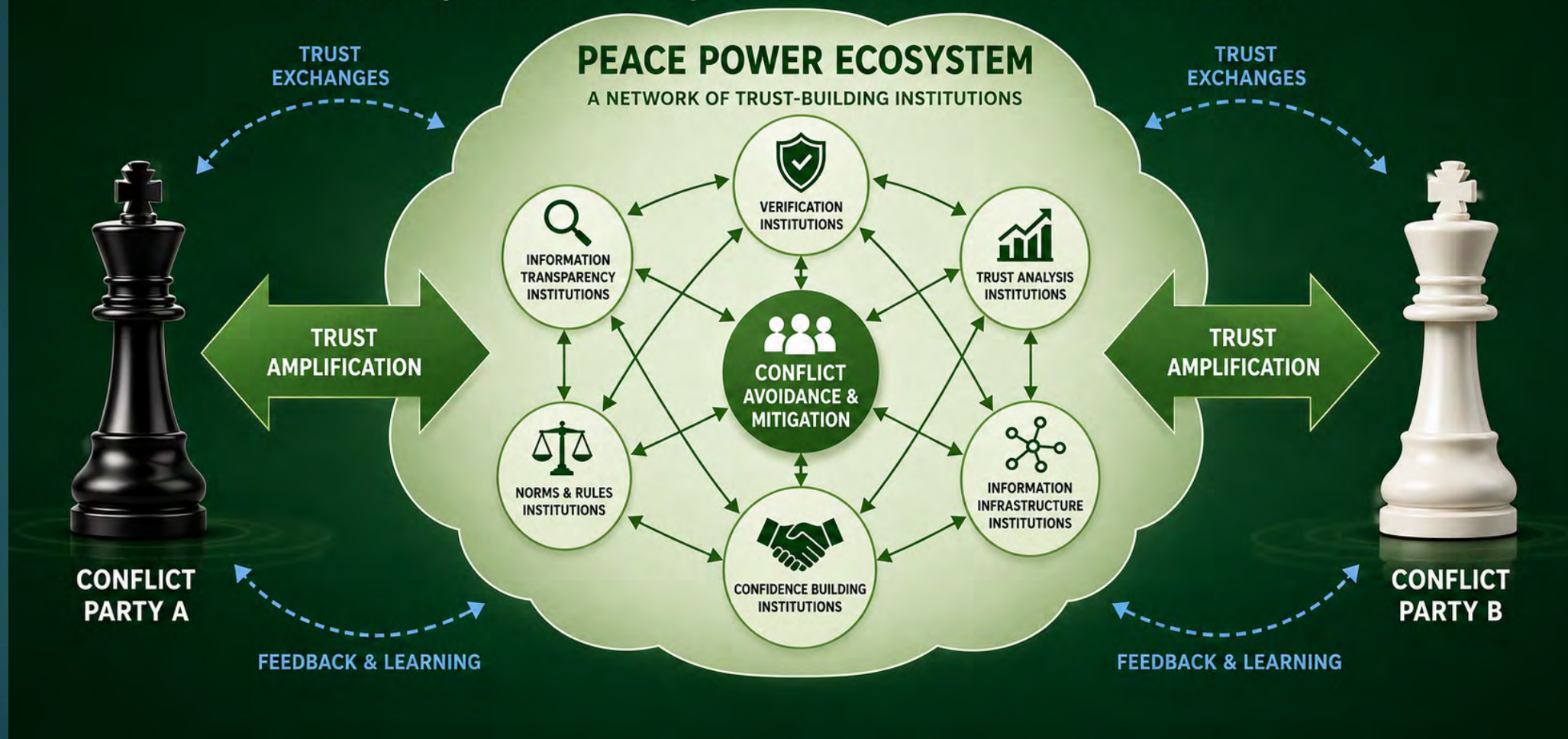
Trust Declines. Risk Rises. Intervention Can Make a Difference.



The Replacement for War Power

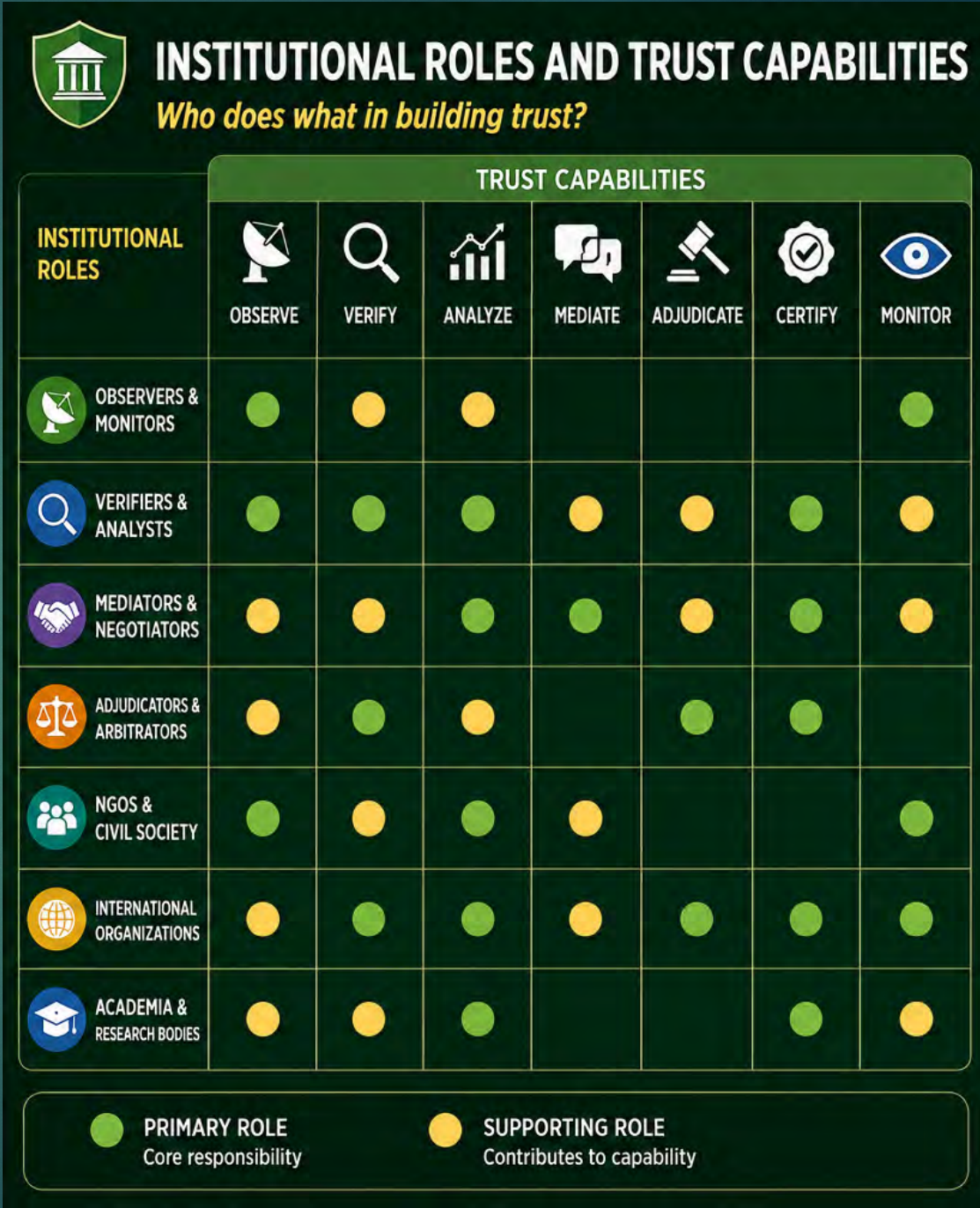
THE PEACE POWER ECOSYSTEM

An Ecosystem that Amplifies Trust Between Conflict Parties



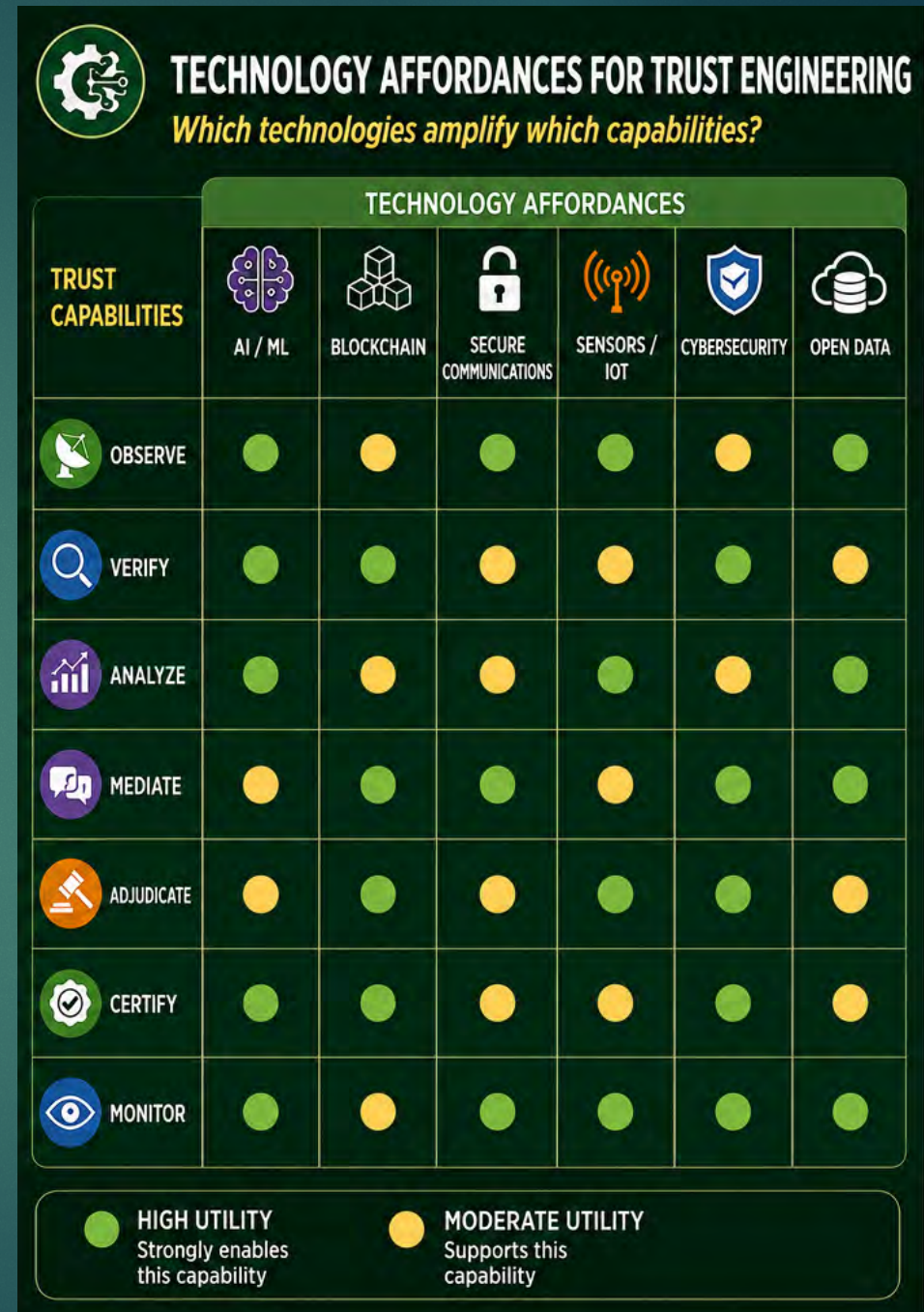
Peace Power Institutional Needs

Peace Power institutions require complementary operational capabilities to produce, maintain, and expand trust between conflict parties.



Technology Capabilities Supporting Trust Generation in the Peace Power Ecosystem

Advanced information systems technology capabilities will support trust generation activities of Peace Power Ecosystem Institutions. The same technologies that assure operational integrity and reliability in commercial and military environments can be applied to Peace Power activities.



TRUST IS A VIRTUOUS CYCLE

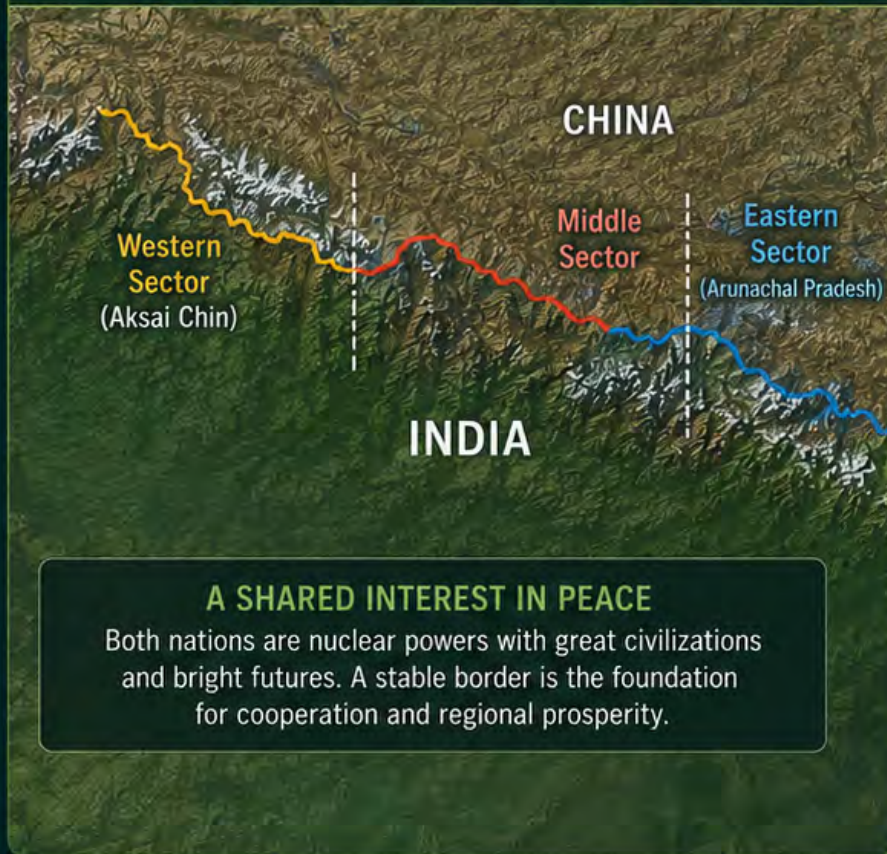


A PEACE POWER PILOT PROJECT

India–China Himalayan Border Peace Initiative

From Crisis Management to Permanent Peace – Trust Today, Peace Tomorrow

THE DISPUTED HIMALAYAN FRONTIER



A SHARED INTEREST IN PEACE

Both nations are nuclear powers with great civilizations and bright futures. A stable border is the foundation for cooperation and regional prosperity.

PHASED APPROACH TO PEACE



PHASE 1: TRANSPARENCY & STABILITY

Establish real-time awareness and communication to prevent incidents and build initial confidence.



PHASE 2: CONFIDENCE BUILDING

Implement joint activities and verification measures that demonstrate good faith and reduce suspicions.



PHASE 3: FRAMEWORK AGREEMENT

Negotiate a political framework addressing principles, interests, and adjustments for a mutually acceptable settlement.



PHASE 4: DEMARCATION & PEACE

Complete boundary demarcation on the ground and establish enduring mechanisms to safeguard the peace.

KEY MECHANISMS & INSTRUMENTS



Joint AI-Assisted Monitoring

Continuous satellite imagery, ground sensors, and AI analytics for shared situational awareness.



Shared Data & Verification

Secure platform for data sharing, joint verification, and common standards to ensure credibility.



Independent Trust Assessments

Third-party panels and scientific assessments to provide transparent, impartial evaluations.



Crisis Communication Protocols

Direct military and diplomatic hotlines, incident notification, and de-escalation procedures.



Incremental Confidence Measures

Disengagement zones, joint patrols (where agreed), humanitarian cooperation, and cultural exchanges.



Path to Demarcation

Technical surveys, agreed alignment, on-the-ground demarcation, and a permanent treaty settling the boundary.



FINAL OBJECTIVE: A PERMANENT, MUTUALLY RECOGNIZED BORDER DEMARCATION THAT RESOLVES THE DISPUTE AND GUARANTEES LASTING PEACE.



No More Incidents
No More Crises



Cooperation
Not Confrontation



Prosperity
for Generations

Participants in Building the Peace Power Ecosystem

- ▶ Existing international institutions
- ▶ Political parties
- ▶ Foundations
- ▶ NGOs
- ▶ Academia
- ▶ Technology providers

THE POLITICAL OPPORTUNITY FOR THE GP

A Clear Choice in a Time of Crisis

ISSUE	UNIPARTY (WAR POWER)	GREEN PARTY (PEACE POWER)	GP ADVANTAGE
 END ENDLESS WARS	Perpetual War Power. Endless interventions, regime change wars, and military commitments drain resources and cost lives.	Peace Power. End all wars. Pursue diplomacy, mediation, and nonviolent conflict resolution.	✓ Only party committed to ending the war system and bringing our troops home.
 NUCLEAR THREATS	Escalating Nuclear Danger. Nuclear modernization, new weapons development, and first-strike policies increase the risk of nuclear war.	Nuclear Disarmament. Negotiate verifiable disarmament. Abolish nuclear weapons before they abolish us.	✓ Only party with a plan to eliminate nuclear weapons and reduce existential risk.
 MILITARISM & ARMS RACE	Militarism & Endless Spending. Trillions for the military-industrial complex; new bases abroad; weapons over human needs.	Demilitarize & Reinvest. Cut military spending. Close bases. Invest in people, communities, and the planet.	✓ Redirects resources from war and weapons to human and ecological well-being.
 DIPLOMACY & ALLIANCES	Bloc Politics & Confrontation. Military alliances and bloc politics provoke conflict and limit diplomacy and cooperation.	Cooperation & Nonalignment. Build relationships, not enemies. Support international law and multilateral solutions.	✓ Only party committed to peaceful cooperation instead of bloc confrontation.
 HUMAN SECURITY	Neglect of Human Needs. War, sanctions, and poverty fuel suffering, displacement, and instability worldwide.	Human Security First. Address the root causes of conflict: poverty, injustice, and environmental degradation.	✓ Focuses on people's needs, justice, and the conditions for lasting peace.
 CLIMATE & THE FUTURE	War Fuels the Climate Crisis. Military is a major polluter; war accelerates climate breakdown and resource conflicts.	Climate Peace. Slash military emissions. Cooperate on climate solutions for a livable planet.	✓ Only party that connects peace, disarmament, and a sustainable future.

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Final Words

- ▶ Peace Power is the sane alternative to endless international armed conflict and nuclear roulette.
- ▶ Let us commit the Green Party to the rise of Peace Power.

Q & A