

Parties:

1. President Donald J Trump & the US Department for Border Control
2. President Enrique Peña Nieto & the Government of Mexico's Department for Foreign Affairs

Scenario:

1. Recently-elected President Donald J Trump upon being elected has pledged to deliver upon his campaign promise “*to build a ‘Great Wall’ along our Southern border with Mexico*” and to deport the approximate 11 million illegal immigrants from the USA.
2. Following on this, President Trump has also avowed that Mexico shall pay for this wall and that all illegal immigrants from Mexico and further afield in Central and South America shall be deported to Mexico for Mexican Immigration authorities.
3. Understandably, Mexico is infuriated at these statements and has refused to pay for the wall or accept any deported immigrants. Most notably former President Vincente Fox declared on Fox News that “I am not paying for that f***ing wall.” This reaction has resulted in President Trump cancelling a planned diplomatic summit with Mexico.
4. President Trump has threatened to retaliate by imposing a 20% tariff on all American exports to Mexico, and to impose up to a 90% tariff on any businesses that move their production plants from the US to Mexico.
5. In response, President Nieto has threatened to boycott cotton exports from American farmers – a core source of income for Southern farmers. Furthermore, President Nieto has moved to adopt protectionist economic policies to damage American exports.

Objectives & Confidential Information (President Trump):

1. Objectives:
 - a. Negotiate a settlement with Mexico where Mexico pays for at least 50% of the border wall payments. Total cost = 30 billion
 - b. Negotiate deportation of the 11 million illegal immigrants to Mexico
 - c. Protect Agricultural exports and Southern farmers from boycott and tariffs
2. Confidential Information:
 - a. The Mexican economy heavily relies upon imports from American farmers and a boycott of these exports would cost approximately 500 million to the Mexican economy.

- b. Speaker Paul Ryan has stated that Congress shall not authorise a budget which pays for more than 30% of the border wall or authorise the constitution of a ‘deportation force.’
- c. The Mexican economy has a workforce deficit and has had to grant an additional 200’000 visas to highly-skilled immigrants from Central America.

Objective & Confidential Information (President Nieto):**1. Objective:**

- a. Negotiate that Mexico does not have to pay for any portion of the border wall, and that Mexico shall only accept deportees who hold a Mexican passport.
- b. Negotiate that imports from America – in particular cotton imports – are not subject to the 20% tariff.
- c. Negotiate an abolition of the 90% tariff upon US businesses that have their centres of production in Mexico.

2. Confidential Information:

- a. The Mexican Ambassador to the US – after conversations with contacts within Congress – that a budget with any significant contribution to the border wall will fail.
- b. Southern Farmers are particularly vulnerable to protectionist economic policies and a boycott of these farmers would require federal bailouts in New Mexico, Missouri and Arizona.
- c. That the deportation of 11 million illegal immigrants is deeply unpopular in the US and that widespread deportation of illegals would result in the loss of nearly 30 seats in the 2018 mid-terms as well as the Senate.