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## **Issue Redefinition Framework**

Initial Question		Is U.S. support for the fight against extremism and terrorism in the Sahel region enhancing its status as a superpower?
	Rephrase:	Is U.S. financial and strategic support for the fight against extremism and terrorism in the Sahel region enhancing its status as a superpower?
Why Questions		
		1. Why would the U.S. provide financial and strategic support for the fight against extremism and terrorism in the Sahel region?
		<ul> <li>Because the U.S. is committed to the global fight against terrorism</li> <li>Because the U.S. is a strong ally of the countries in the Sahel region</li> </ul>
		<ul> <li>2. Why did the U.S. commit itself to the fight against global terrorism?</li> <li>Because the U.S. and U.S. interests have been perennial targets of attacks from terrorist organizations across the globe</li> <li>Because the U.S. is interested in protecting its position as a superpower within the international system</li> </ul>
		<ul> <li>3. Why have the U.S. and U.S. interests been perennial targets of attacks from terrorist organizations across the globe? <ul> <li>Because of the commitment of the U.S. to promoting peace, human rights, and democracy across the globe.</li> <li>Because terrorist organizations aim to weaken the U.S. strategically, economically, and morally.</li> <li>Because terrorist organizations hope that attacking the U.S. and U.S.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>

		interests will deter the country from getting involved in international situations like it currently does.
	Synthesize:	Is the U.S. providing financial and strategic support for the fight against extremism and terrorism in the Sahel region to enhance its status as a superpower or as part of its wider commitment to promoting global peace, human rights, and democracy?
Broad Questions		
		1. Has U.S. financial and strategic support for the fight against extremism and terrorism in the Sahel region enhanced its status as a superpower within the international system?
		2. Are P5 countries providing financial and strategic support in the fight against extremism and terrorism in the Sahel region to counter the claim of the U.S. to superpower status within the international system?
Narrow Questions		
		1. Has U.S. financial and strategic support led to a reduction of extremism and terrorism in the Sahel region?
		2. Have countries within the international system accepted the U.S. as the undisputed superpower based on its financial and strategic support for Sahel countries in the fight against extremism and terrorism?
		3. Are P5 countries providing financial and strategic support in the fight against extremism and terrorism in the Sahel to counter the global acceptance of the U.S. as a superpower?
Redirected Questions		1. When did the U.S. begin to provide financial and strategic support for the fight against extremism and terrorism in the Sahel region?
		2. Where apart from the Sahel is the U.S. also providing financial and strategic support for the fight against extremism and terrorism?

	3. How is U.S. financial and strategic support for the fight against terrorism and extremism in the Sahel enhancing its status as a superpower country?
	4. What other strategies is the U.S. adopting to enhance its status as a superpower other than providing financial and strategic support to countries in the Sahel region?
180 <sup>0</sup> Question	Is U.S. financial and strategic support for the fight against extremism and terrorism in the Sahel region hurting its status as a superpower?