Regis/Loyola Tournament Extemp Questions

January 2022

Round 1: Asia

- 1. What will be the outcome of Kazakhstan's political crisis?
- 2. Why is China increasing its military involvement in Tajikistan?
- 3. Is Bangladesh's new digital security act making the country safer?
- 4. Can India handle Omicron?
- 5. What will be Rodrigo Duterte's legacy as leader of the Philippines?
- 6. How will increased cooperation between Japan and Australia affect China?
- 7. Did South Korea's president do the right thing by pardoning Park Geun-hye?
- 8. How will the increase in extreme weather events affect Southeast Asia?
- 9. Does Myanmar's opposition have any hope of defeating the Tatmadaw?
- 10. Was Kyrgyzstan's latest election free and fair?
- 11. Should the YS be concerned over North Korea's latest military moves?
- 12. What is behind China's alleged interference in UK politics?
- 13. Should China cancel the Beijing Olympics?
- 14. How important a change for Pakistan is the nomination of a woman to its Supreme Court?
- 15. Should Tesla be engaging with China?

Round 2: Europe

- 1. What does Russia hope to achieve by increasing its aggression in Europe?
- 2. Would the Russian public support invading Ukraine?
- 3. How should the EU respond to the threats to the Ukraine?
- 4. How can the EU repair its growing East-West rift?
- 5. How will the COP26 summit affect European climate policy?
- 6. Is Serbia getting closer to EU membership?
- 7. Should Erdogan be worried about losing Turkey's next presidential election?
- 8. Should the United Kingdom revoke Tony Blair's knighthood?
- 9. Is it time for Boris Johnson to resign?
- 10. Should Mario Draghi be Italy's next president?
- 11. Did Spain do enough to reform its economy in 2021?
- 12. Could Valerie Pecresse defeat Emmanuel Macron in France's next presidential election?
- 13. Is Emmanuel Macron taking the right approach to Covid in France?
- 14. How much effect will Russia's arrests of hackers have on Russia-US relations?
- 15. Should the US impose sanctions in response on the NordStream 2 project?

Round 3: US Economy

- 1. Have workers in the United States gained more power during the pandemic?
- 2. What will be the long-term effect of "the great resignation?"
- 3. Will the labor shortage persist in 2022?
- 4. Should the Fed increase interest rates more quickly than it is projecting that it will?
- 5. Are higher prices here to stay?
- 6. Should the US impose price controls?
- 7. What is the biggest cause of the United States' supply chain woes?
- 8. Should the United States increase its domestic manufacturing output?
- 9. Has the US become too dependent on Chinese manufacturing?
- 10. How long will it take for the auto industry to normalize?
- 11. What is the outlook for the airline industry in 2022?
- 12. Do large corporations pay enough taxes?
- 13. Should Congress have passed the Build Back Better program?
- 14. What impact will the Omicron surge have on the US economy?
- 15. Should the Child Tax Credit pandemic benefit be made permanent?

Finals: US Elections

- 1. What will be the long-term impact of the January 6 riot?
- 2. Is Donald Trump truly a likely 2024 presidential candidate?
- 3. Is the United States really becoming less democratic?
- 4. Should the United States have a nationwide voter ID requirement?
- 5. What steps should Democrats take now to preserve their Congressional majorities?
- 6. What steps should Republicans take now to ensure victory in the midterm elections?
- 7. What are Ron Johnson's chances of winning reelection in Wisconsin?
- 8. With criminal cases fading, will Andrew Cuomo attempt to make a political comeback?
- 9. Could Beto O'Rourke win the Texas gubernatorial election?
- 10. What should be done to prevent the spread of election disinformation in the United States?