

While campaigning in Detroit, Lincoln, Speaker of the House Nazbol909 will be taken off stage to read [Senator Zairn's response](#) to her recent comments regarding Zairn's demands of Democrats before he will allow for NeatSaucer's confirmation as Secretary of Defense. Nazbol will return to the stage, with tears in her eyes.

"I have many words to say after this brief tangent, but I would like to alert the crowd that thanks to Senator Zairn, I have found my brother. This was confirmed, as me and Representative Pik just got off the phone. I am grateful for Zairn's decision to alert me of this, and I am glad to have a brother. I disagree with much of what he believes, though it's hard to keep track, and I implore him to seek medical and mental help, as multiple bus crashes have left him shifting from ideologies seemingly every month, but I am glad to have him. For those worried, I was born in Lincoln, in fact, me and Pik are a year apart. Our parents had him put up for adoption in Sierra, as they couldn't afford to have him, but decided to keep me just a year later after winning the lottery in Lincoln.

Now, to the not-so-nice part. Senator Zairn, the most notable thing about your statement was part of the closing, which reads, "But we can't work together if the affair is one-sided. As such, until cooperation is made, NeatSaucer will not be Secretary of Defense." Excuse me Senator, but what's one-sided here? The Democrats using their mandate to confirm a Secretary of Defense, or the Civics taking advantage of strikes among the military to try and force concessions out of the us? You talk of civility and decorum, yet actively tear down these concepts, feigning that you wish to end these strikes, while delivering demands which you know the Democrats will never concede to. Like so many other Civics, you talk of political civility, yet do things such as spending half a page of your statement gloating about Civics victories in the several states. You talk of how I wish to "own the Civs", with no regard for anything else, yet seem bent on gloating about victories from your party. This ignores the fact that it is these several states which delivered the Democrats a trifecta in both of the last Federal elections. Of course, perhaps your only goal here is to "own the Dems", as your demands, which are coming at the most opportunistic of times, combined with the blatant lack of self-reflection in your recent statement, make me believe that you have no purpose here except to unrightfully attack the Democratic Party.

Of course, this would be no response if I did not speak on the Senator's demands. The first, is that the military receives its full funding back from the ZoZ era spending cuts. I have spoken [at length](#) about the broken nature of military culture, and about how our military has become a tool for an imperialist and corporate-led America, and as such, I will be short. Just like these strikers, you are attempting to defend a broken military's might. We must cut and reorganize even more spending if we are to focus on a diplomatic, technology-based, and human

foreign policy. We must move forward, advancing beyond the broken military we currently have. You, and these strikers, are in direct opposition to the new foreign policy and military I hope to see, and are intent on defending a broken organization which has been groomed to commit atrocities abroad.

Next, you call for the GND's effective date to be moved to January 21st. Excuse me, but what, Senator? You go into length attacking the Democratic version of the GND, yet unlike the NHS call for the effective date to be moved to a seemingly random date. Instead of calling for an amendments process, or for anything else tying back to your arguments. This demand is both unreasonable, and as with the rest of your demands, something I will fight against day and night.

The next demand is that the NHS receives amendments to either restore state healthcare programs or to rework the service. First, let me note that the NHS didn't receive amendments due to the work of the Civics and Republicans in spamming during and exploiting the amendments process. Their work led the DNC and House leadership to feel it necessary to prevent such an all-essential bill from being weakened or outright destroyed during amendments. Along with this, let me say that part of the intent of the NHS can be seen as to end state healthcare systems. You may scream about states' rights as you wish, but ending and consolidating state healthcare programs into a larger, national entity should have been the goal from the beginning, as uniform, national care prevents state-by-state variances, and allows for less bureaucracy and more streamlined access to the system. As for the second option you laid out, I have to refute it as well. Bringing the NHS back into the amendments process brings undue strain onto the legislative process, and allows for, as I mentioned, Civics and Republicans to hijack the process with a constant spamming of amendments. Along with this, the NHS completes its goals and does so well. You discuss in your original statement how the NHS rips away healthcare from people, replacing it with a narrower Federal plan, but once again, this simply misses the point. Much like those who argued for a public option over an NHS style system, you are using the fallacy that people are losing out on care due to the NHS. They aren't. Instead, as I have stated, the NHS ends divided and varying statewide systems to create a streamlined and more effective national healthcare system. So no, no one is losing their healthcare, and the NHS accomplishes all of its goals in providing universal healthcare to the United States, and in ending private insurance and statewide systems alike. Meanwhile, instead of holding NeatSaucer's nomination hostage over your claimed issues with the NHS, you could simply work through the legislative process to amend the bill. There is no need to hold the nomination hostage like this, and it is clear that you are doing this for political gain, not out of any actual wish to amend the NHS, as there are other means to do it by.

Your final demand is that Vice President TopProspect apologize for the conduct he showed during his confirmation hearing. Excuse me, Senator, but what? You are taking advantage of a strike among the military to demand that the Vice President apologize for being mean? First, I don't think the Vice President needs to apologize. It was his hearing, he can act as he wishes, and he was right, he didn't need the junior Senator's vote. I won't waste much time on this, as it's rather humorous, but as with all of your demands, Senator, this one I will continue to oppose.

Going through your recent statement, and your previous demands, we can all see that you are the one with no substantive reasoning here, as each of your demands and statements appear to be made under one principle. That being, how can you effectively exploit a strike to attack the Democrats? I won't be wasting any more time on this matter, as I have made my case, and there are more pressing concerns. Notably, I would like to announce that to contain and prevent violence at Fort Leonard Wood, I have begun organizing militias in the area, who are to work under cooperation with law enforcement as they surround and help keep the peace around the fort. I hope that this move is a clear signal that I am determined to end this strike, and that BRAC will move forward. All militia members have been instructed to not fire unless shot at, and are there to ensure that the strikers do not take any violent actions, considering the resources they have at the fort. BRAC is moving forward, the spending cuts are staying, and Senator Zairn's demands will not be met. I will fight to ensure that all three of the things I just stated come true. Thank you."