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These are the motions used in the Yale Invitational. Because extra rooms were made available after the first round, the tournament ran single flight for rounds 2 through 5, so not all of these motions were offered.

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Flight A

Round 1

This House believes that illegal immigrants who report their employers should be given amnesty.

This House would establish a guest-worker program for illegal aliens.

This House would not automatically deport individuals who lie on their asylum applications.

Round 2

This House believes that individuals convicted of crimes should not be forced out of public housing.

This House would not identify those accused of crimes in the media.

This House would criminalize failure to report felonies to the police.

Round 3

This House believes two-party systems are better than multi-party systems.

This House believes that earmarks are beneficial.

This House believes that there should be a balanced budget amendment.

Round 4

This House believes health care is a right.

This House believes that the government should pay for maternity leave.

This House would ban international adoption.

Round 5

This House ______. (The team that chooses resolution can put any motion in here)

This House would implement a carbon tax.

This House believes that economic growth is the solution to climate change

Flight B

Round 1

This House would give preference to those who engaged in armed rebellion against an unjust state in asylum applications.

This House would support extradition treaties with countries that do not afford their citizens due process.

This House would support a right to a minimum standard of living.

Round 2

This House would ban prisoners publishing accounts of their crimes.

This House would not allow "following orders" as an excuse for committing war crimes.

This House would make company directors criminally liable for the wrongs of their company.

Round 3

This House believes parents should cast proxy votes for their children.

This House believes that politicians have a right to a private life.

That this house believes that election campaigns should be fully financed by the state.

Round 4

This House would abolish religious vaccine exemptions.

This House would prohibit women over the age of 45 years from undergoing assisted human reproduction

This House would ban smoking.

Round 5

This House would ______. (Team choosing resolution can insert any statement of their choosing.

This House would hold developing countries to the same environmental standards as developed ones.

This House would subsidize green homes.

Quarters

This House would invade Pakistan. This House would intervene militarily to prevent Iran from getting the bomb.*** This House would withdraw military support for Israel.

Semis

This House would pay a stipend to stay-at-home parents. This House would return cultural treasures to their homelands. This house would not cheat even if they would not get caught.***

Finals

This House would require the disclosure of HIV positive status to sexual partners. This House would ban protests at military funerals.*** This House would not adopt the doctrine of compassionate release.