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State of Our Union Address Assign
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| Foreign Policy | Domestic Policy |
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| Immigration Reform | Border Security (The Wall) |
| Trade Reform | Prison Reform |
| Replace NAFTA (USMCA) | Eliminate HIV/AIDS |
| Withdraw from Afghanistan and Syria | End Childhood Cancer |
| Pursue Foreign Policy (America's Interest First) | Lower Health Care Cost |

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| Domestic Policy- Criminal Justice Reform | Reinforce National Defense |
| Domestic Policy- The First Step Act | Defend American Jobs |
| | Rebuild our Nation's infrastructure |
| | Demand fair trade and form policy |

1. Cross-branch power dynamics: Considering the fact that the government hasn't been in a place of bipartisan harmony. Trump quickly recognized the state of his new Congress and how the House is now majority democratic. So now he has to appeal to the house in a sense because his republican lawmakers and government need to all be on one accord. The divided governments quickly showed how they can't agree with each other or the president, the government is the easiest representation of divided government having conflicting views. The issue on the border wall is the most significant issue in the government present day because there are a lot of factors that play into border security.

Trump is demanding the wall ignoring the fact that Congress does not want to support it because the budget for the wall is a lot. There was some slight language on how Congress was willing to compromise by giving money to increase border security but not build the wall, because they feel as though it would be problematic.

2. Executive Power: “If I had not been elected President of the United States, we would right now, in my opinion, be in a major war with North Korea with potentially millions of people killed.” This statement in the address implies that Trump feels very confident in his executive power as president. Saying that this country would be in the state of war had it not been for his presidency says a lot about his Congressional Oversight. Trump also hints that women having more seats in Congress is due to him being in presidency. He feels as though his Congressional oversight gets the job done.
3. Stacey Abrams did very well with highlighting issues with the Address and pointing out major points of disagreement. Abrams feels as we are in this age of politicians picking voter and it should be vice versa. This is an issue due to voter suppression because every election is in favor a specific group of people. Along with healthcare costs decreasing she thinks that healthcare should be affordable and expanded to everyone. Another issue is that people are not being protected by labor unions in their jobs. Abrams have no problem with America she just feels as The U.S. needs work and/or tweeking. The opportunity America gives people is great but she feels as the government has a lot of things to work on, but we will never get through it if the President is exaggerating or lying. He obviously appeals to Republican crowd. This is an issue, but she doesn’t want him to fail she just wants Trump to change his approach.

4. The legislative agenda of my district is, Those being Appointing Major General Joseph F. Gerrad, establishing a code of ethics for executive branch officers and employees, and preventing sexual harassment in the executive branch of government. The only issue that is half-way addressed is the code of ethics for executive address. The outline of missions and values when it comes to businesses or organizations. The outreach or betterment attempt for businesses is in the address, but he doesn't address the values of organizations. Trump doesn't address sexual harassment within the executive branch, he also doesn't address appointing because that's way to specific for his agenda.