

## Today's Agenda

Other databases for paper research

Your questions regarding rational decision-making

Reflection: How were your dispute cases affected by individual-level effects?

The rest of chapter 5

Email assignment for Monday (if you haven't turned it in today):

Read Levy & Thompson, ch. 6 and provide an argument regarding how organizational politics makes escalation to war more (or less) likely.

## Other databases for paper research

- Declassified Documents Reference System
- Digital National Security Archive
- FBIS Daily Reports
- Foreign Relations of the United States (UL owns tangible copy, online available at: <http://uwdc.library.wisc.edu/collections/FRUS>)
- University of Pittsburgh Press Latin America Series

Your questions regarding rational decision-making:

- What would an irrational ranking look like? (preference cycle)

- If a person prefers A over B and B over C and C over A... leads to a money pump.
- Individuals can have transitive preference ordering but produce an irrational social preference ordering.
- Can any set of priorities be justified as rational (such as being a warmonger)?
- What factors go into deciding what priorities and goals an actor has?
- Is it historically accurate to assume that all wars are the product of one decision-maker from each state involved in the war?

Reflection:

How were your dispute cases affected by individual-level effects?

Take 5 minutes to think about and answer this question in your notebook.

I will ask 5 students to share their answers for discussion.

Covering the remaining topics of chapter 5

Prospect Theory

