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## BANNING BIOMETRIC DATA COLLECTION (VOTING ISSUES)

### [PRO “Voting Issues” Introduction]:

In this speech, I will **present** each of my team’s Voting Issues.

The first voting issue I will **present** is... \_\_\_\_\_ .

### [Voting Issue]: Protecting Privacy

**We think the most important argument is...** protecting people’s privacy.  
**because...** millions of people feel unsafe when the government records everything they do.

**We think we are winning this argument because...**

*In the first speech, we told you...*

Facial recognition causes serious privacy concerns for millions of people.

*My partner also told you...*

Being monitored and recorded causes fear in the public, and how security I not more important than protecting our rights.

*This proves it was incorrect for our opponents to say...*

[List the Rebuttals]: \_\_\_\_\_

[or] *Their rebuttals were disproven by my partner.*

**So...**

*If you vote for the PRO side... millions of people will have their privacy protected and it will be harder for government and companies to spy on us.*

*If you vote for the CON side... the human rights of millions of people will continue to be violated.*

[Choose]

*So, for all these reasons, please vote for the PRO.*

[or]

*Our next voting issue is...*



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## [Voting Issue]: Reducing Discrimination

**We think the [most or another] important argument is...** reducing discrimination.  
**because...** millions of people are at risk of being falsely accused and jailed due to misidentification.

**We think we are winning this argument because...**

*In the first speech, we told you...*

Facial recognition is not effective enough when identifying women and people of color. Black women are at the greatest risk. Innocent people have been put in jail by the police.

*My partner also told you...*

Facial recognition technology is not reliable and about the research from Stanford university that explains the risk of misidentification due to race and that the bias is real.

*This proves it was incorrect for our opponents to say...*

[List the Rebuttals]: \_\_\_\_\_

[or] *Their rebuttals were disproven by my partner.*

**So...**

*If you vote for the PRO side... millions of people will be protected from harmful accusations of wrongdoing, simply because of their gender or the color of their skin.*

*If you vote for the CON... the rights and dignity of millions of people will continue to be violated.*

[Choose]

*So, for all these reasons, please vote for the PRO.*

[or]

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## [Voting Issue]: Preventing Security Risks

**We think the [most or another] important argument is...** preventing security risks.  
*because...* the financial security of millions of people is at risk due to data breaches from hackers.

**We think we are winning this argument because...**

*In the first speech, we told you...*

If we ban biometric data, we can prevent hackers from stealing information and using it against us in the future – there would be nothing for them to steal.

*My partner also told you...*

About the serious security risks and how you cannot replace biometric data the way you can change a password and how biometric security is not worth the risk.

*This proves it was incorrect for our opponents to say...*

[List the Rebuttals]: \_\_\_\_\_

[or] *Their rebuttals were disproven by my partner.*

**So...**

*If you vote for the PRO side... the financial security millions of people will be protected from identity theft and deepfake impersonations.*

*If you vote for the CON... the people will continue to be at risk of biometrics being stolen and used against them for the rest of their lives.*

[Choose]

*So, for all these reasons, please vote for the PRO.*

[or]

*Our next voting issue is...*



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## [CON “Voting Issues” Introduction]:

In this speech, I will **present** each of my team’s Voting Issues.

The first voting issue I will **present** is... \_\_\_\_\_ .

## [Voting Issue]: Threatening Security

**We think the [most or another] important argument is...** Threatening our Security.  
*because...* the safety and security of millions of people is at risk due to banning biometric data.

**We think we are winning this argument because...**

*In the first speech, we told you...*

Law enforcement and the government need access to biometric data for the technologies to work properly – without this data, the ability to prevent terrorism and capture violent criminals will be significantly reduced.

*My partner also told you...*

About serious security threats going unnoticed because this technology will become less reliable without the biometric data and that other technologies are not strong enough.

*This proves it was incorrect for our opponents to say...*

[List the Rebuttals]: \_\_\_\_\_

[or] *Their rebuttals were disproven by my partner.*

**So...**

*If you vote for the PRO side... the security of millions of people will be seriously threatened.*

*If you vote for the CON... we can quickly and accurately identify threats and capture criminals so that crime will remain low, and the public will be much safer.*

[Choose]

*So, for all these reasons, please vote for the CON.*

[or]

*Our next voting issue is...*



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## [Voting Issue]: Protecting Children

**We think the [most or another] important argument is...** Protecting Children from Kidnappers. because... hundreds of thousands of children go missing and 30% are taken by human traffickers.

**We think we are winning this argument because...**

*In the first speech, we told you...*

Rescuers need access to biometric data to quickly identify missing children spotted by CCTV or other systems. Without this data, their systems are no longer as effective.

*My partner also told you...*

Biometrics allow us to measure suspicious activities of both kidnappers and of their victims who are too afraid to call out for help. Biometrics can detect things that people cannot.

*This proves it was incorrect for our opponents to say...*

[List the Rebuttals]: \_\_\_\_\_

[or] *Their rebuttals were disproven by my partner.*

**So...**

*If you vote for the PRO side... the ability to find thousands of missing children will be in jeopardy.*

*If you vote for the CON... we can quickly and accurately identify human traffickers and identify their victims as well.*

[Choose]

*So, for all these reasons, please vote for the CON.*

[or]

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## [Voting Issue]: Harming Businesses

**We think the [most or another] important argument is...** Harming Businesses.  
*because...* millions of businesses will be harmed by banning their ability to use biometric data.

**We think we are winning this argument because...**

*In the first speech, we told you...*

Businesses use biometric data to monitor security, stop thieves, and increase productivity. A ban on biometric data will seriously hurt many of these businesses.

*My partner also told you...*

Biometrics improve workplace security and are too expensive to replace after the biometric data collection becomes banned.

*This proves it was incorrect for our opponents to say...*

[List the Rebuttals]: \_\_\_\_\_

[or] *Their rebuttals were disproven by my partner.*

**So...**

*If you vote for the PRO side... businesses lose millions from extra expenses and lost productivity.*

*If you vote for the CON... we can better protect these businesses and help them prevent billions of dollars from losses due to theft.*

[Choose]

*So, for all these reasons, please vote for the CON.*

[or]

*Our next voting issue is...*