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U.S. must be world policeman, says ex-NATO boss

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THE READING

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An ex-head of NATO has said America needs to be the world's policeman. He said, "we need determined American global leadership" to bring back law and order. He explained that Syria is falling apart because of war, Iraq is in danger of collapsing, and Libya is a failed state. He added that Russia is unsettling Eastern Europe, China is creating tensions, and North Korea is threatening neighbours with nuclear attacks.

The ex-head criticised President Barack Obama for not stopping conflicts. He said: "Superpowers don't get to retire. Look around; you will see a world on fire." The Russia Today newspaper said the U.S. has caused problems in the Middle East and North Africa. It said Libya is in chaos and U.S. actions in Iraq and Syria created a global security threat - ISIS. The Taliban still control a third of Afghanistan, even though the U.S. spent 15 years there.

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PHRASE MATCHING

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PARAGRAPH ONE:

- | | |
|-----------------------|---------------------------|
| 1. global | a. apart |
| 2. bring back law and | b. failed state |
| 3. Syria is falling | c. attacks |
| 4. Iraq is in danger | d. order |
| 5. Libya is a | e. threatening neighbours |
| 6. creating | f. leadership |
| 7. North Korea is | g. tensions |
| 8. nuclear | h. of collapsing |

PARAGRAPH TWO:

- | | |
|--------------------------------|---------------------------|
| 1. The ex-head criticised | a. retire |
| 2. Superpowers don't get to | b. third of Afghanistan |
| 3. you will see a world on | c. chaos |
| 4. in the Middle | d. 15 years there |
| 5. It said Libya is in | e. fire |
| 6. a global security | f. East |
| 7. The Taliban still control a | g. President Barack Obama |
| 8. the U.S. spent | h. threat |

LISTEN AND FILL IN THE GAPS

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An ex-head of NATO has said America (1) _____ world's policeman. He said, "we (2) _____ American global leadership" to bring back (3) _____. He explained that Syria is falling apart (4) _____, Iraq is in danger of collapsing, and Libya is a (5) _____. He added that Russia is unsettling Eastern Europe, China is creating tensions, and North Korea is threatening neighbours (6) _____ attacks.

The ex-head criticised President Barack Obama (7) _____ conflicts. He said: "Superpowers don't (8) _____. Look around; you will see a (9) _____." The Russia Today newspaper said the U.S. has caused problems in the Middle East and North Africa. It said Libya (10) _____ U.S. actions in Iraq and Syria created a global (11) _____ - ISIS. The Taliban still control a third of Afghanistan, (12) _____ U.S. spent 15 years there.

PUT A SLASH (/) WHERE THE SPACES ARE

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WORLD SECURITY SURVEY

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Write five GOOD questions about world security in the table. Do this in pairs. Each student must write the questions on his / her own paper. When you have finished, interview other students. Write down their answers.

	STUDENT 1 _____	STUDENT 2 _____	STUDENT 3 _____
Q.1.			
Q.2.			
Q.3.			
Q.4.			
Q.5.			

- Now return to your original partner and share and talk about what you found out. Change partners often.
- Make mini-presentations to other groups on your findings.

WRITE QUESTIONS & ASK YOUR PARTNER(S)

Student A: Do not show these to your speaking partner(s).

a) _____

b) _____

c) _____

d) _____

e) _____

f) _____

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WRITE QUESTIONS & ASK YOUR PARTNER(S)

Student B: Do not show these to your speaking partner(s).

a) _____

b) _____

c) _____

d) _____

e) _____

f) _____

