



### Results of Platform Vote #7

*Vote Conducted on December 25, 2019 – January 1, 2020*  
*Results Tabulated by Gennady Stolyarov II, Chairman*  
*Results Published on January 4, 2020*

Official ballot options can be found [here](#).

The resulting platform planks have been incorporated into the U.S. Transhumanist Party Constitution, Article III, [here](#).

**Note:** The nomenclature of the Sections in the compiled Article III of the U.S. Transhumanist Party Constitution differs from the nomenclature on the ballot to reflect the numbering conventions within the Constitution. However, the substance of the adopted Sections is reflective of the votes of the membership. Also, the titles of the ballot questions were intended for informational purposes only during the vote and will not become part of the official Platform.

**Total Ballots Cast:** 100

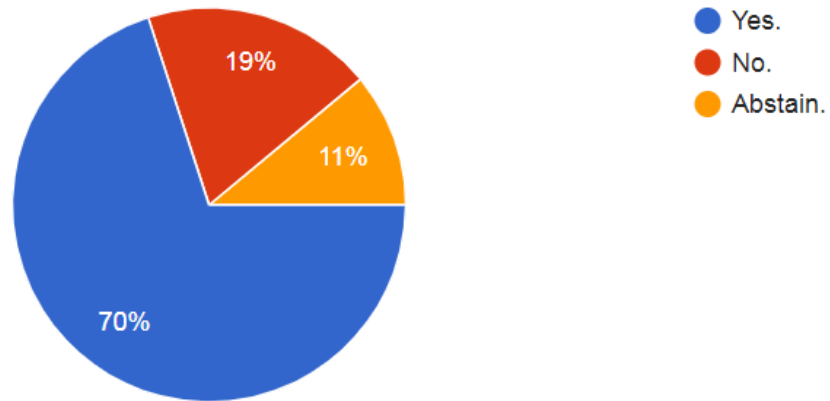
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## Question I. Section E7-A. Opposition to Autonomous Weapons

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100 responses



**Yes – 70 votes – 70%**

No – 19 votes – 19%

Abstain – 11 votes – 11%

**The result of the Question I vote is “Yes”.**

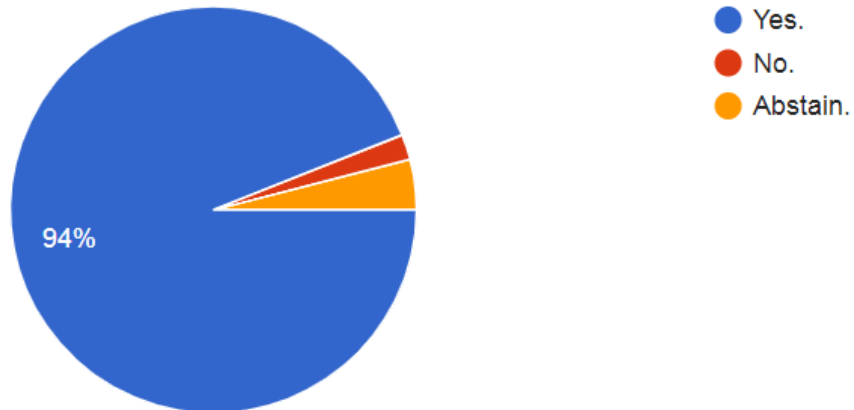
The text of Article III, Section LXXXIII, of the U.S. Transhumanist Party / Transhuman Party Constitution will therefore read as follows:

“The United States Transhumanist Party / Transhuman Party opposes any development or deployment of weapons systems that are capable of killing or injuring human beings in the absence of an explicit command by a human being to take action in every specific instance. Autonomous drones, vehicles, or other combat systems may not be permitted to make life-or-death decisions on the basis of a program, algorithm, predictive model, or any other means other than a specific decision by a human being who is closely familiar with the circumstances surrounding any given military situation. Accordingly, the United States Transhumanist Party / Transhuman Party supports the Campaign to Stop Killer Robots and other initiatives to abolish all autonomous weapons and preclude the development of such weapons.”

## Question II. Section E7-B. Ectogenesis

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100 responses



**Yes – 94 votes – 94%**

No – 2 votes – 2%

Abstain – 4 votes – 4%

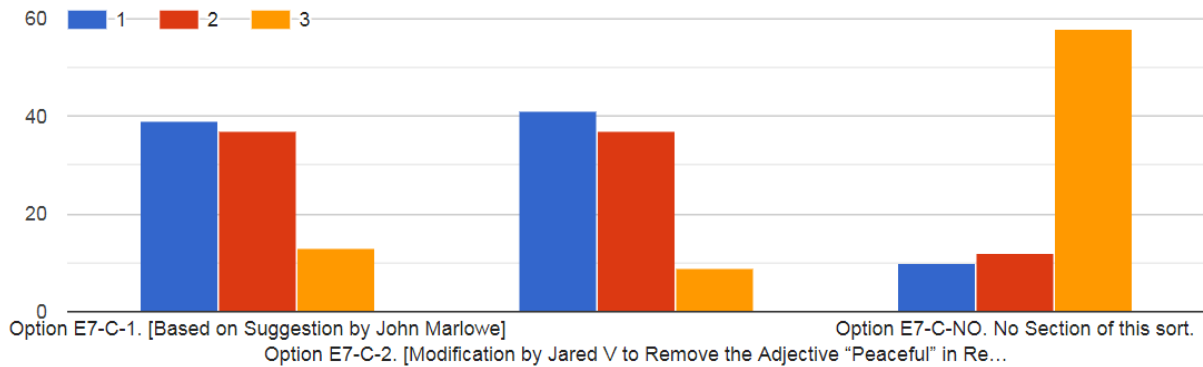
**The result of the Question II vote is “Yes”.**

The text of Article III, Section LXXXIV, of the U.S. Transhumanist Party / Transhuman Party Constitution will therefore read as follows:

“The United States Transhumanist Party / Transhuman Party supports research into the process of ectogenesis, the ability of organisms to be incubated and to grow to the point of independent survival, within an artificial environment that provides such organisms with all the necessities of biological survival and development. Furthermore, the United States Transhumanist Party / Transhuman Party supports the widespread deployment and use of the technology of ectogenesis once such technology becomes safe and practical. Ectogenesis has the potential to benefit humans and other species alike, restoring extinct species and bolstering the numbers of endangered species, as well as alleviating the burdens of human pregnancy and rendering the divisive debate over abortion obsolete by reconciling the right to life of a fetus with the freedom of a woman to choose not to carry that fetus.”

## Question III. Section E7-C. Elimination of Caps on Scientific Expenditures

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### Round #1:

3 candidates and 92 ballots.

Number of first votes per candidate:

Option E7-C-1: 39

Option E7-C-2: 41

Option E7-C-NO: 12

Option E7-C-2 has the highest number of votes with 41 votes (44.57%)

Option E7-C-NO has the lowest number of votes with 12 votes (13.04%)

### Round #2:

2 candidates and 89 ballots.

Number of first votes per candidate:

Option E7-C-1: 43

Option E7-C-2: 46

Option E7-C-2 has the highest number of votes with 46 votes (51.69%)

Option E7-C-1 has the lowest number of votes with 43 votes (48.31%)

### Option E7-C-2 won!

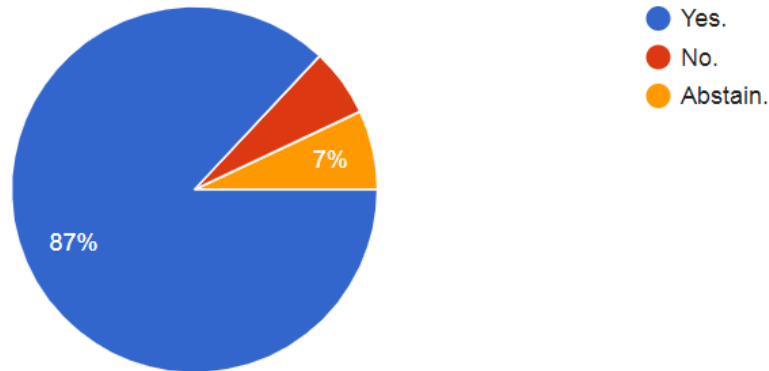
The text of Article III, Section LXXXV, of the U.S. Transhumanist Party / Transhuman Party Constitution will therefore read as follows:

“The United States Transhumanist Party / Transhuman Party supports any relaxation or elimination on caps in the United States federal budget regarding spending on scientific and technological research, including research in medicine and public health. Funding for science that can improve the human condition should not be subject to the vagaries of partisan political standoffs over the federal budget. Accordingly, the United States Transhumanist Party / Transhuman Party supports the Raise the Caps initiative and any other elimination of artificial restrictions of the allocations of funding to scientific and technological projects.”

## Question IV. Section E7-D. Improved Reporting of Law-Enforcement Misconduct

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100 responses



**Yes – 87 votes – 87%**

No – 6 votes – 6%

Abstain – 7 votes – 7%

**The result of the Question IV vote is “Yes”.**

The text of Article III, Section LXXXVI, of the U.S. Transhumanist Party / Transhuman Party Constitution will therefore read as follows:

“The United States Transhumanist Party / Transhuman Party supports efforts to give citizens more accessible and safer ways to report misconduct, corruption, constitutional rights violations, international human rights violations, and other similar infractions by police, including local police departments, as well as by federal law-enforcement agencies, such as Customs and Border Protection (CBP), the Transportation Security Administration (TSA), and Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE), to an investigative organization, whether civilian in nature or a special investigative department within the judicial system.

Such efforts could, for example, involve having a mandate that every police department and federal law-enforcement agency website have a ‘banner’ on its website that allows citizens to report misbehavior by said police department or federal law-enforcement agency via a national reporting system. Reporting of misbehavior would not inhibit any constitutional rights, such as filing a lawsuit.

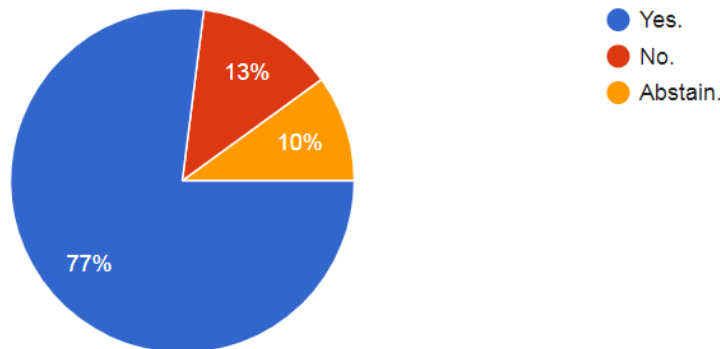
If a valid complaint is found after investigation, this could result in a fine, a reduction of funding, or a reduction of salary for the responsible officials as a means of punishment. Said money would be allocated back to the relevant level of government to increase the well-being of citizens.

A periodic report of all reported missteps by law-enforcement agencies should be made publicly available, including breakdowns of valid and invalid claims, as well as reports per region, among other useful breakdowns.”

## **Question V. Section E7-E. Requirement for Educational Institutions That Receive Federal Funding to Reduce Administrative Costs**

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100 responses



**Yes – 77 votes – 77%**

No – 13 votes – 13%

Abstain – 10 votes – 10%

**The result of the Question V vote is “Yes”.**

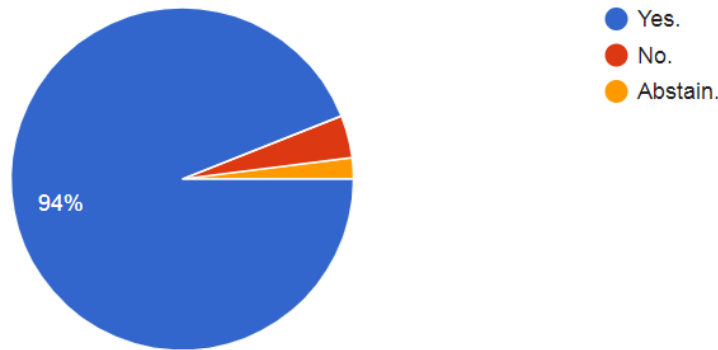
The text of Article III, Section LXXXVII, of the U.S. Transhumanist Party / Transhuman Party Constitution will therefore read as follows:

“The United States Transhumanist Party / Transhuman Party supports a requirement that any educational institution that receives federal funding must greatly reduce its expenditures on internal bureaucracy and administration, in part by eliminating the requirement for students to complete any hard-copy paperwork and by enabling ubiquitous free, electronic completion and submission of all required forms.”

## **Question VI. Section E7-F. Requirement for Educational Institutions That Receive Federal Funding to Publish Research Free of Charge to the General Public**

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100 responses



**Yes – 94 votes – 94%**

No – 4 votes – 4%

Abstain – 2 votes – 2%

**The result of the Question VI vote is “Yes”.**

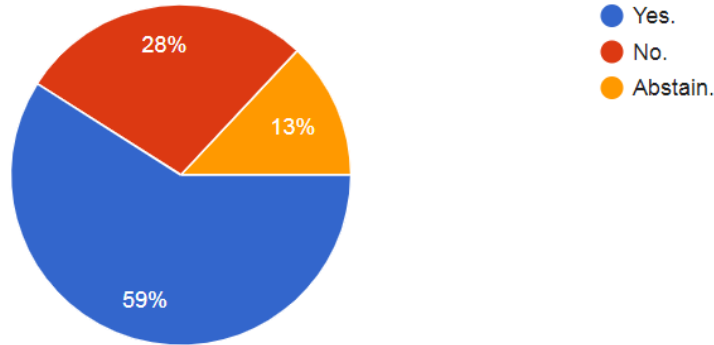
The text of Article III, Section LXXXVIII, of the U.S. Transhumanist Party / Transhuman Party Constitution will therefore read as follows:

“The United States Transhumanist Party / Transhuman Party supports a requirement that any educational institution that receives federal funding must openly publish all even partially federally funded research produced by that institution in readily downloadable electronic format without any cost to the general public, including any paywalls or access fees from academic journals that feature such research. This requirement would not apply to research projects solely supported by private funds or which do not require funding altogether; in those circumstances, the direct authors of such research would retain copyright to it and the ability to publish it in the manner they see fit.”

## Question VII. Section E7-G. Prohibition of Police from Carrying Military-Grade Hardware

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100 responses



**Yes – 59 votes – 59%**

No – 28 votes – 28%

Abstain – 13 votes – 13%

**The result of the Question VII vote is “Yes”.**

The text of Article III, Section LXXXIX, of the U.S. Transhumanist Party / Transhuman Party Constitution will therefore read as follows:

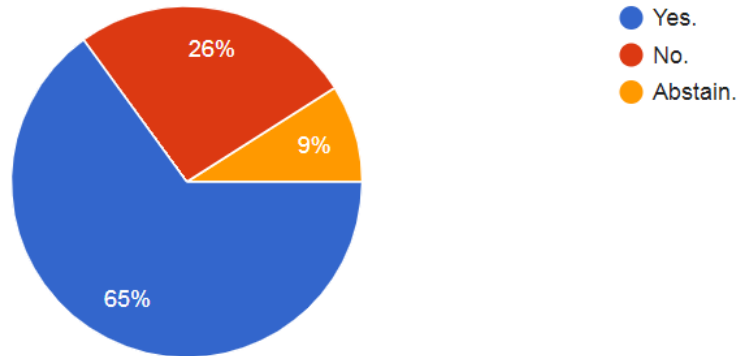
“The United States Transhumanist Party / Transhuman Party supports a prohibition against police being equipped with military-grade hardware, including assault weapons, military armored vehicles, or any other offensive equipment primarily designed for battlefield use.”



## Question VIII. Section E7-H. Requirement for Police to Use Rubber Bullets as Standard Ammunition

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100 responses



**Yes – 65 votes – 65%**

No – 26 votes – 26%

Abstain – 9 votes – 9%

**The result of the Question VIII vote is “Yes”.**

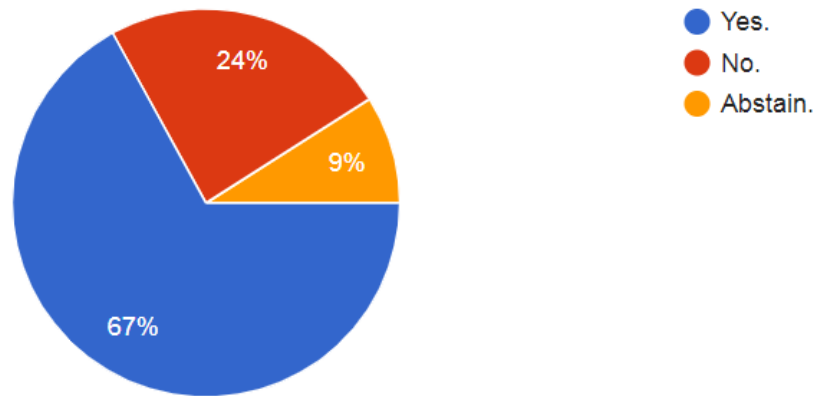
The text of Article III, Section XC, of the U.S. Transhumanist Party / Transhuman Party Constitution will therefore read as follows:

“The United States Transhumanist Party / Transhuman Party supports a requirement for police to be equipped with rubber bullets as standard ammunition and only to use regular, lethal bullets in situations where there is an immediate and previously known threat to the safety of members of the general public. More generally, police should be trained to use every possible technique for non-lethal incapacitation of offenders, prior to any recourse to lethal force.”

## Question IX. Section E7-I. Encouragement for Police to Use Electric Vehicles

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100 responses



**Yes – 67 votes – 67%**

No – 24 votes – 24%

Abstain – 9 votes – 9%

**The result of the Question IX vote is “Yes”.**

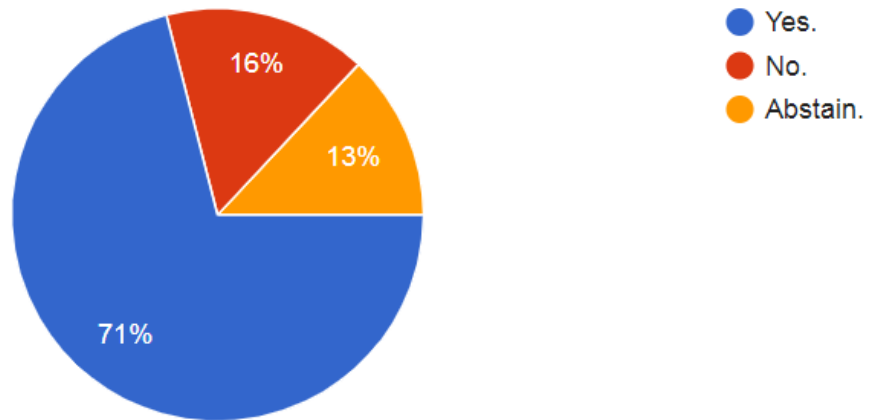
The text of Article III, Section XCI, of the U.S. Transhumanist Party / Transhuman Party Constitution will therefore read as follows:

“The United States Transhumanist Party / Transhuman Party supports efforts to encourage police departments to use electric vehicles. This would have the advantages of reducing emissions of pollutants into the air, as well as moving police forces away from militarized vehicles, which are less likely to be electrically powered.”

## Question X. Section E7-J. Tracking of Police Violations of Traffic Laws

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100 responses



**Yes – 71 votes – 71%**

No – 16 votes – 16%

Abstain – 13 votes – 13%

**The result of the Question X vote is “Yes”.**

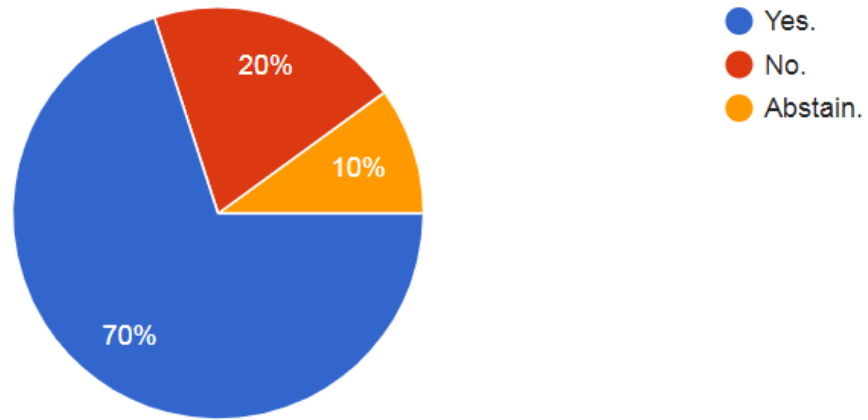
The text of Article III, Section XCII, of the U.S. Transhumanist Party / Transhuman Party Constitution will therefore read as follows:

“The United States Transhumanist Party / Transhuman Party supports the installment of monitoring systems in police vehicles to track whether the police are violating traffic laws, with the exception of situations where speeding or other technical infractions may be necessary to apprehend other known or suspected violators or criminal offenders. The ability of police to violate traffic laws with impunity is damaging to public perception, as law enforcement should first and foremost set an example for society to follow. By holding law enforcement accountable for minor infractions such as traffic violations, it will be possible to develop a police force that serves as an example to the public.”

## Question XI. Section E7-K. Path to Legalization of Current Immigrants

Question XI. Section E7-K. Path to Legalization of Current Immigrants

100 responses



**Yes – 70 votes – 70%**

No – 20 votes – 20%

Abstain – 10 votes – 10%

**The result of the Question XI vote is “Yes”.**

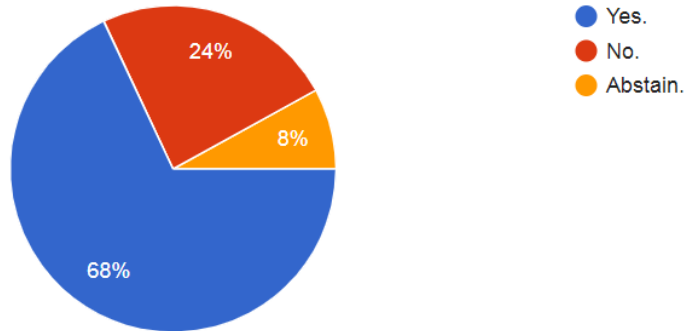
The text of Article III, Section XCIII, of the U.S. Transhumanist Party / Transhuman Party Constitution will therefore read as follows:

“The United States Transhumanist Party / Transhuman Party supports efforts to provide a path to legalization for all current undocumented immigrants living and working in the United States, free of restrictions based on country of origin, economic status, education, length of residency, or any other criteria, other than history of violent criminal activity.”

## Question XII. Section E7-L. Elimination of Detention of Immigrants for Non-Violent Infractions

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100 responses



**Yes – 68 votes – 68%**

No – 24 votes – 24%

Abstain – 8 votes – 8%

**The result of the Question XII vote is “Yes”.**

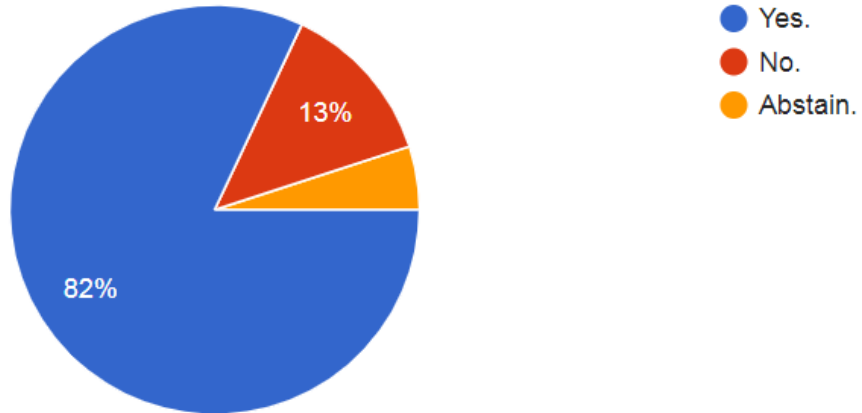
The text of Article III, Section XCIV, of the U.S. Transhumanist Party / Transhuman Party Constitution will therefore read as follows:

“The United States Transhumanist Party / Transhuman Party supports efforts to end detention of all migrants for immigration violations not related to violent crimes. All current people serving jail terms for immigration issues with no additional crimes involved with the arrest must be released, and the path to citizenship started immediately. Those for whom an additional charge was involved would need to be reviewed on a case-by-case basis, with serious infractions – such as any violent offenses – potentially justifying additional detainment.”

## Question XIII. Section E7-M. Streamlining of Immigration Process

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100 responses



**Yes – 82 votes – 82%**

No – 13 votes – 13%

Abstain – 5 votes – 5%

**The result of the Question XIII vote is “Yes”.**

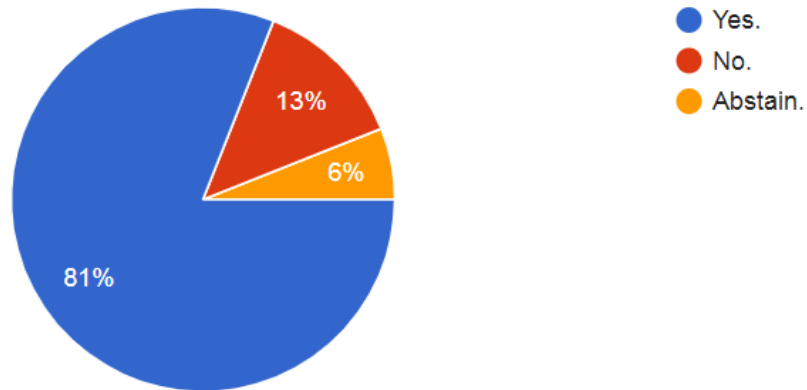
The text of Article III, Section XCV, of the U.S. Transhumanist Party / Transhuman Party Constitution will therefore read as follows:

“The United States Transhumanist Party / Transhuman Party supports measures to modernize and streamline the immigration process and eliminate the backlogs for those already in the queue. The United States Transhumanist Party / Transhuman Party advocates simplifying the documentation process, eliminating all requirements for filling out hard-copy paperwork, and utilizing technology to cut wait times and bureaucratic delays.”

## Question XIV. Section E7-N. Abolition of Private Prisons and Detention Facilities

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100 responses



**Yes – 81 votes – 81%**

No – 13 votes – 13%

Abstain – 6 votes – 6%

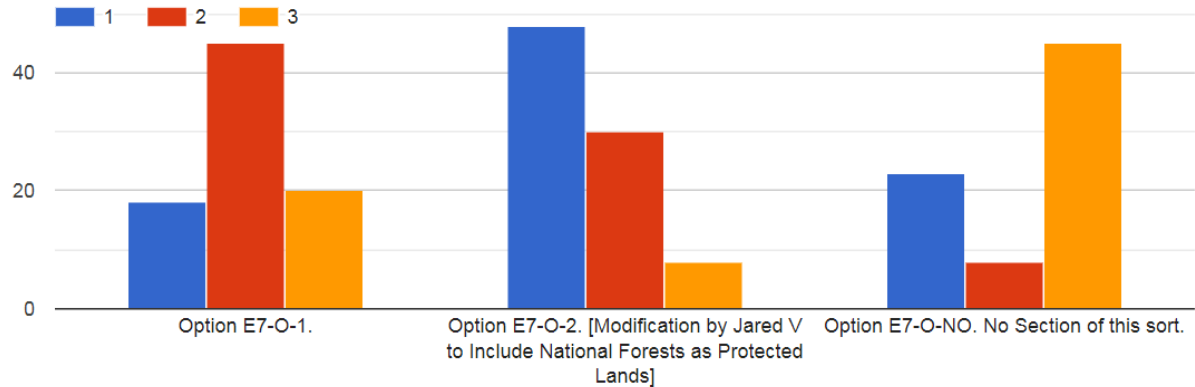
**The result of the Question XIV vote is “Yes”.**

The text of Article III, Section XCVI, of the U.S. Transhumanist Party / Transhuman Party Constitution will therefore read as follows:

“The United States Transhumanist Party / Transhuman Party supports the immediate abolition of all private prison facilities and the termination of arrangements with private contractors for detention or immigration and border enforcement. Punishment for crimes, except for situations of self-defense from the immediate commission of a crime, should be a function reserved for government alone and should never involve a profit motive, which creates incentives to artificially inflate the appearance of criminal behavior and the punishment of lesser infractions. In order to preserve the capacity for inmates and detainees to be housed in humane conditions, the United States Federal Government, as well as State and local governments, should have the prerogative to appropriate the facilities previously used by private prisons and private detention contractors, after providing appropriate one-time compensation for the property involved.”

## Question XV. Section E7-O. Federal Land Dividend

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### Round #1:

3 candidates and 91 ballots.

Number of first votes per candidate:

Option E7-O-1: 18

Option E7-O-2: 48

Option E7-O-NO: 25

Option E7-O-2 has the highest number of votes with 48 votes (52.75%)

Option E7-O-1 has the lowest number of votes with 18 votes (19.78%)

### Option E7-O-2 won!

The text of Article III, Section XCVII, of the U.S. Transhumanist Party / Transhuman Party Constitution will therefore read as follows:

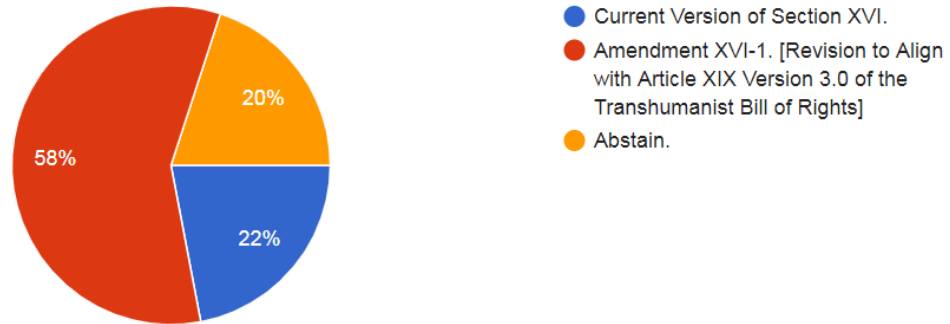
“The United States Transhumanist Party / Transhuman Party supports the establishment of a federal land dividend, whereby currently unused federal lands, with the exception of national parks, national forests, and notable landmarks, will be leased to private corporations that agree to operate in an environmentally conscientious manner, with the proceeds of the lease funding a universal basic income for the United States population.”



## Question XVI. Amendment to Section XVI on Universal Basic Income to Align with Version 3.0 of the Transhumanist Bill of Rights

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100 responses



Current Version of Section XVI – 20 votes – 20%

**Amendment XVI-1 – 58 votes – 58%**

Abstain – 20 votes – 20%

**Amendment XVI-1 wins.**

Article III, Section XVI, of the U.S. Transhumanist Party / Transhuman Party Constitution is therefore amended to read as follows:

“Irrespective of whether or not technology will eventually replace the need for the labor of sentient entities, the United States Transhumanist Party / Transhuman Party holds that all sentient entities should be the beneficiaries of an unconditional universal basic income, whereby the same minimum amount of money or other resources is provided irrespective of a sentient entity’s life circumstances, occupations, or other income sources, so as to provide a means for the basic requirements of existence and liberty to be met.”