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## ABSTRACT

This undergraduate thesis aims to explain the U.S. foreign policy concerning energy control in Central Asia. As energy resources were competed in Central Asia, it is important to evaluate U.S. strategies and efforts as a super power country in competing for energy resources over its rivals. To give a comprehensive understanding of this research, the writer will divide the explanation into two layers. Firstly, the writer uses foreign policy theory to explain U.S. strategies and efforts to secure energy resources from its rivals in Central Asia. Secondly, Geopolitics theory will be used to elaborate the urgency of controlling and securing Central Asia for U.S. interests in fulfilling its energy resources. At the end of the thesis it was found that the U.S. has developed a strategy to reduce the threat from its rivals, namely Russia and China. The strategy was realized by implementing the Silk Road Strategy (SRS). Until now, the SRS is endeavouring to control Central Asian energy by constructing a pipeline to create economic corridors in Eurasia and the militarization of Eurasian

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