BARACK OBAMA

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| **I- Barack Obama's Presidential First Term :(2009-2013)****A) Healthcare and post-crisis financial reforms** Economic Stimulus: American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) - Enacted on February 17, 2009, in response to the 2008 financial crisis. - Aimed to stimulate the economy with $787 billion in spending and tax cuts. - Included measures to promote the use of American-made products in federally funded projects.Healthcare Reform: Affordable Care Act (ACA) - Signed into law on March 30, 2010, and effective from January 1, 2014. - Commonly known as Obamacare, the ACA mandated all citizens to purchase health insurance via the Healthcare.gov marketplace, offering subsidies to those unable to afford coverage. - Resulted in approximately twenty million more Americans obtaining health insurance, reducing the uninsured rate from 16% in 2010 to 8.9% by 2016.**B) Foreign policy and national security**Iraq Withdrawal Strategy - Announced the complete withdrawal of U.S. troops from Iraq by December 15, 2011. - Ended the 9-year "Operation Iraqi Freedom," fulfilling a key campaign promise.Efforts in Afghanistan and Counterterrorism - Continued U.S. military presence in Afghanistan to combat the Taliban and prevent the country from being a terrorist safe haven. - Ordered the successful operation leading to the killing of Osama bin Laden in 2011. | **II-Second Term (2013-2017)**1. **DACCA programm**

DACA Announcement - On June 15, 2012, introduced the Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA) program. - Provided eligible young undocumented immigrants a two-year reprieve from deportation and work permit eligibility. - Aimed at "dreamers," who are minors that entered the U.S. illegally but have lived in the country since 2007, with clean records and educational or military service credentials.1. **The Edward Snowden scandal**

Edward Snowden Scandal  - In 2013, Edward Snowden's leaks revealed extensive global surveillance programs by the NSA. - Sparked worldwide debates on privacy, security, and the balance of government power. - Resulted in diminished public trust in government, contributing to a decline in Obama's approval ratings during his second term. |