### My task

Should we hyphenate NFU or not.

Advice:

Res 1 should be: “nuclear no-first-use” policy” or “no-first-use” nuclear policy.

5B should be “first use” not “first-use”

### NFU – Hyphen or Not---Hyphen

#### “no-first-use” means that it’s, as a group, modifying “policy.”

“No first-use” makes less sense when naming a policy.

James Major, 2008, previously written 15 books, all published by the U.S. Government, and in 1997 he was awarded the National Intelligence Medal of Achievement. (Writing Classified and Unclassified Papers for National Security, Google Books)

It is clear that no first use policy applies in that case. (Is it re- ally clear? Note the difference between "no first-use policy" and "no-first-use policy." Not only is clarity at stake here but also the meaning of the sentence.) President Bush will speak to a group of small business owners from Pennsylvania. (Since he would not likely be speaking to altitudinally disadvantaged people, "small-business owners" would be correct.) Hyphens are also used to distinguish a compound from a word Of a different meaning, such as re-creation from recreation, re-form from reform, and re-sort from resort, and to avoid diffi- culty in reading, as in tie-in instead of the vowel-laden tiein.

#### Contextually, when preceding “policy” it has includes hyphens

UCS, 2000 (No-First-Use Policy Explained, https://www.ucsusa.org/resources/no-first-use-explained)

A no-first-use nuclear policy means that the United States would commit to never being the first nation to use nuclear weapons in any conflict, a change from its current policy.

#### CFR agrees

Ankita Panda, 2018 (https://www.cfr.org/backgrounder/no-first-use-and-nuclear-weapons)

Most states with nuclear weapons maintain policies that would permit their first use in a conflict. Pledges to only use these weapons in retaliation for a nuclear attack—or a no-first-use (NFU) policy—are rare. Where these pledges have been made by nuclear states, their adversaries generally consider them not credible.