

0436. Analysis of Courses of Action.

As Course of Actions (COAs) are refined, they are further analysed and tested to ensure they remain viable according to the criteria established above in 0434 b. This includes detailed staff checks from different functional perspectives. This is typically accomplished by further staff estimates of the different COAs. In addition, each COA should be war-gamed against opposing capabilities and each opposing COA, time permitting. It is essential that subordinates be integrated in the analysis of COAs, especially war-gaming, in order to fully appreciate requirements and eventualities. Furthermore, Operational Analysis should be used when applicable and available.