

0437. Comparison of Courses of Action.

Once Courses of Action (COAs) are checked for validity against functional staff checks and evaluated during war-gaming, the OPG examines the results to determine the best COA. Results of the comparison are usually presented to the commander in tabular form during the Decision Brief. Sample comparison matrices are shown in Figure 4.9 – Opposing COA Comparison Matrix and 4.10 – Own COA Comparison Matrix with Weighted Criteria. The comparison should logically support the OPG’s recommendation to the commander of the preferred COA. The comparison of COAs, besides the definition of criteria, includes two aspects: