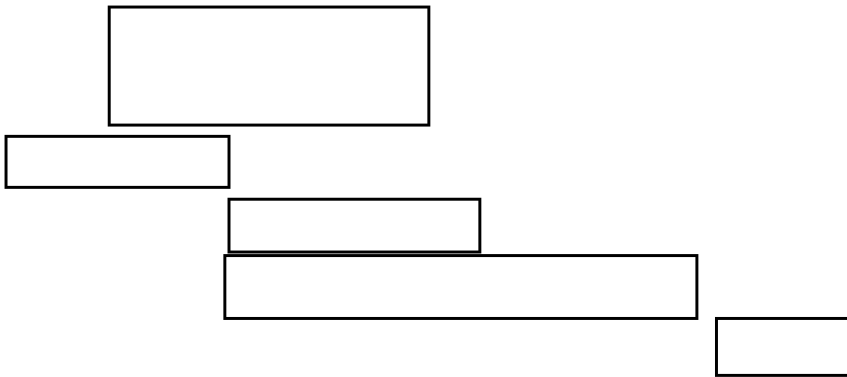


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METHODOLOGY FOR ASSESSING THE

COMBAT EFFECTIVENESS OF WARSAW PACT DIVISIONS AND FOUND IT TO BE

SIMILAR TO A DIA METHODOLOGY

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BREAKS DOWN THE COMBAT EQUIPMENT CATEGORIES MORE PRECISELY

THAN THE DIA METHODOLOGY AND RATES VARIOUS PIECES OF EQUIPMENT

DIFFERENTLY. BOTH METHODOLOGIES SUFFER FROM A PROBLEM INHERENT

IN ALL ATTEMPTS TO EVALUATE DIFFERENCES IN COMBAT EFFECTIVENESS

IN THAT THE VALUES IMPUTED TO TRAINING, MOBILITY, COMBAT EQUIPMENT,

AND OTHER FACTORS ARE SUBJECTIVE. THAT MILITARY EXPERTS IN

DIFFERENT COUNTRIES SEE THESE FACTORS DIFFERENTLY IS REFLECTED

IN THE STRUCTURE OF THEIR OWN COMBAT UNITS. COMMENTS ON THE

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SPECIFIC WEIGHTS OR VALUES [REDACTED] WOULD THIS SERVE MORE TO PROVE THAT THE US USES FORCES DIFFERENTLY [REDACTED]

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2. AS TO THE COMPREHENSIVENESS OF THE STUDY, WE BELIEVE THAT BOTH [REDACTED] METHODOLOGIES IGNORE FACTORS WHICH COULD HAVE A CRITICAL IMPACT ON A UNIT'S COMBAT EFFECTIVENESS. THE SOVIETS AND THEIR ALLIES INVEST CONSIDERABLE RESOURCES IN BATTLE-FIELD AIR DEFENSE AND HAVE INTRODUCED FIVE NEW MOBILE MISSILE SYSTEMS IN THE RECENT PAST. NEITHER METHODOLOGY INCLUDES THESE. LOGISTICS SUPPORT CAPABILITIES ARE SIMILARLY IGNORED.4

3. AN APPROACH TO MEASURING RELATIVE COMBAT EFFECTIVENESS USING RELATIVE COSTS WAS PROPOSED IN CIA SR RP 73-3, "WARSAW PACT GROUND FORCES: A METHODOLOGY FOR ASSESSING COMBAT EFFECTIVENESS" (SECRET). WHILE THE ORDER OF BATTLE INFORMATION IN THAT DOCUMENT IS SOMEWHAT OUTDATED, THE METHODOLOGY IS QUITE DIFFERENT [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] LIKE THE OTHER ANALYSES, HOWEVER, THERE ARE CRITICAL JUDGMENTS WHICH REST ON SUBJECTIVE EVALUATIONS.

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