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THE NAGORNO KARABAGH CONFLICT:
CORE CONSIDERATIONS

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The last “frozen conflict”



de facto vs. de jure



“Occupation” is a two-way street



The Military Security Challenge



- The limited efficacy of OSCE monitoring
- Azerbaijani military probes and posture
- The inadequacy of international security guarantees
- War gaming scenarios & peacekeepers
- Armenia poses no offensive threat





From Key West to Moscow



A flawed peace process



- Inherent secrecy
- Few stakeholders
- Civil society and public opinion seen as a threat
- The empty seat (Karabagh)



The Azerbaijani strategy



Core Considerations

- The “Madrid Principles”
- The danger of a “secret agreement”
- Shifting military balance of power
- What can Karabagh do? What should or shouldn't Armenia do?
- What is the most serious danger?
- Predictions or prescriptions?