

MDA in the Littorals

Where does it work, and why?

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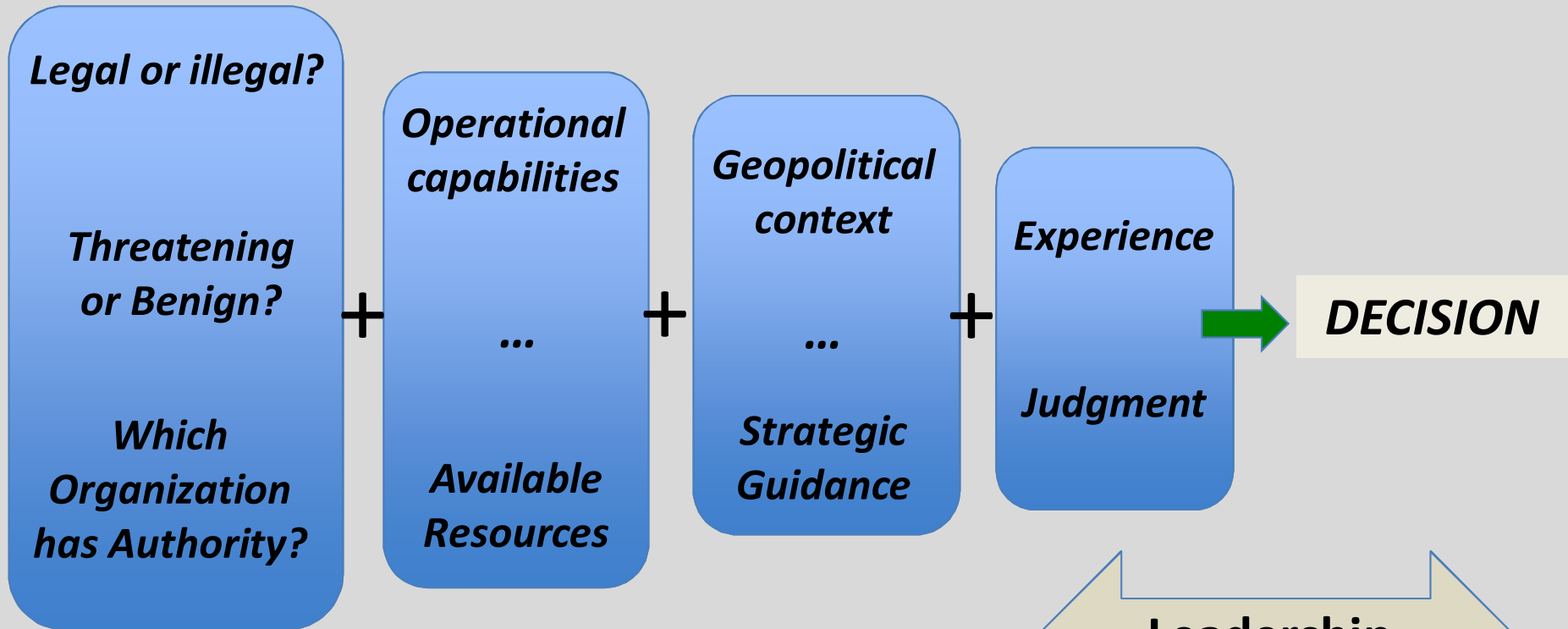


The Admiral's question:

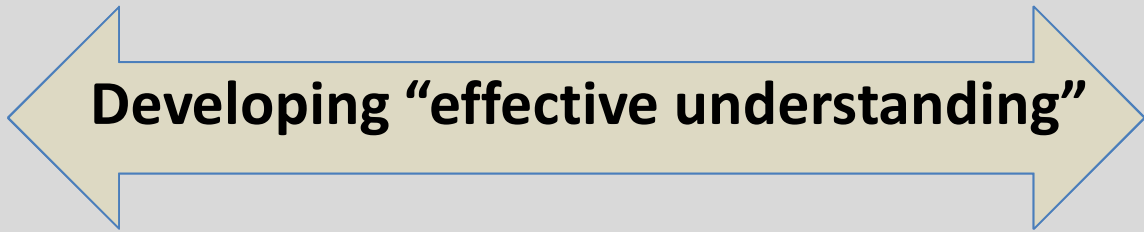
“Which *one* am I interested in?”

What works...

- maximizes the probability of
Encounter
with illicit activity
- minimizes
cost of mission success
- maximizes the probability of
*successful prosecution and
imposition of penalties*
- and
Deters future illicit activity



Decision support



Technology

- Affordable self-identification
- Affordable mobile technologies
- Wide area surveillance to cue local assets
- Innovative use of existing sensors
- Extensive and accessible databases
- ...

Policy

- Self-identification requirements
- Information sharing guidelines
- Legal framework allowing operations to result in prosecution and penalties
- Executive level encouragement of interagency, inter-ministerial, international cooperation
- ...

Maritime Domain Awareness is
effective understanding