The Unwritten Rules of PPBE

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Wartime Budget Battles: The ROE



JTF FOR SOMALIA RELIEF OPERATION GROUND FORCES RULES OF ENGAGEMENT

NOTHING IN THESE RULES OF ENGAGEMENT LIMITS YOUR RIGHT TO TAKE APROPRIATE ACTION TO DEFEND YOURSELF AND YOUR UNIT

A. YOU HAVE THE RIGHT TO USE FORCE TO DEFEND YOURSELF AGAINST ATTACKS OR THREATS OF ATTACK.

B HOSTILE FIRE MAY BE RETURNED EFFECTIVELY AND PROMPTLY TO STOP A HOSTILE ACT.

C. WHEN U.S. FORCES ARE ATTACKED BY UNARMED HOSTILE ELEMENTS, MOBS AND/OR RIOTERS, U.S. FORCES SHOULD USE THE MINIMUM FORCE NECESSARY UNDER THE CIRCUMSTANCES AND PROPORTIONAL TO THE THREAT.

D. YOU MAY NOT SEIZE THE PROPERTY OF OTHERS TO ACCOMPLISH YOUR MISSION.

E DETENTION OF CIVILIANS IS AUTHORIZED FOR SECURITY REASONS OR IN SELF-DEFENSE.

REMEMBER

1 THE UNITED STATES IS NOT AT WAR 2 TREAT ALL PERSONS WITH DIGNITY AND RESPECT 3 USE MINIMUM FORCE TO CARRY OUT MISSION 4 ALWAYS BE PREPARED TO ACT IN SELF-DEFENSE

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"a certain grasp of military affairs is vital for those in charge of general policy." - Karl von Clausewitz







ROE can be simple...



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Rules of the "Road"

Road Runner cannot harm the Coyote except by going "beep, beep".

 $\frac{1}{2}$ No outside force can harm the Coyote -- only his own ineptitude or the failure of Acme products.

The Coyote could stop anytime -- IF he was not a fanatic. (Repeat: "A fanatic is one who redoubles his effort when he has forgotten his aim." —<u>George Santayana</u>).

 $rac{1}{2}$ No dialogue ever, except "beep, beep" and yowling in pain.

 $\frac{1}{2}$ Road Runner must stay on the road -- for no other reason than that he's a roadrunner.

 $rac{1}{2}$ All action must be confined to the natural environment of the two characters -- the southwest American desert.

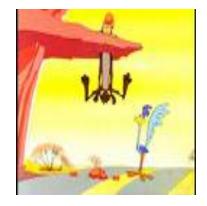
 $\frac{1}{2}$ All tools, weapons, or mechanical conveniences must be obtained from the Acme Corporation.

 $rac{1}{2}$ Whenever possible, make <u>gravity</u> the Coyote's greatest enemy.

 $\frac{1}{2}$ The Coyote is always more humiliated than harmed by his failures.

 $rac{1}{2}$ The audience's sympathy must remain with the Coyote.



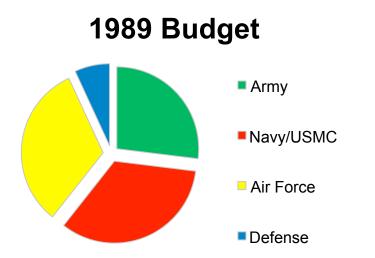




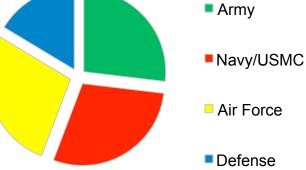


The 1/3 – 1/3- 1/3 Rule

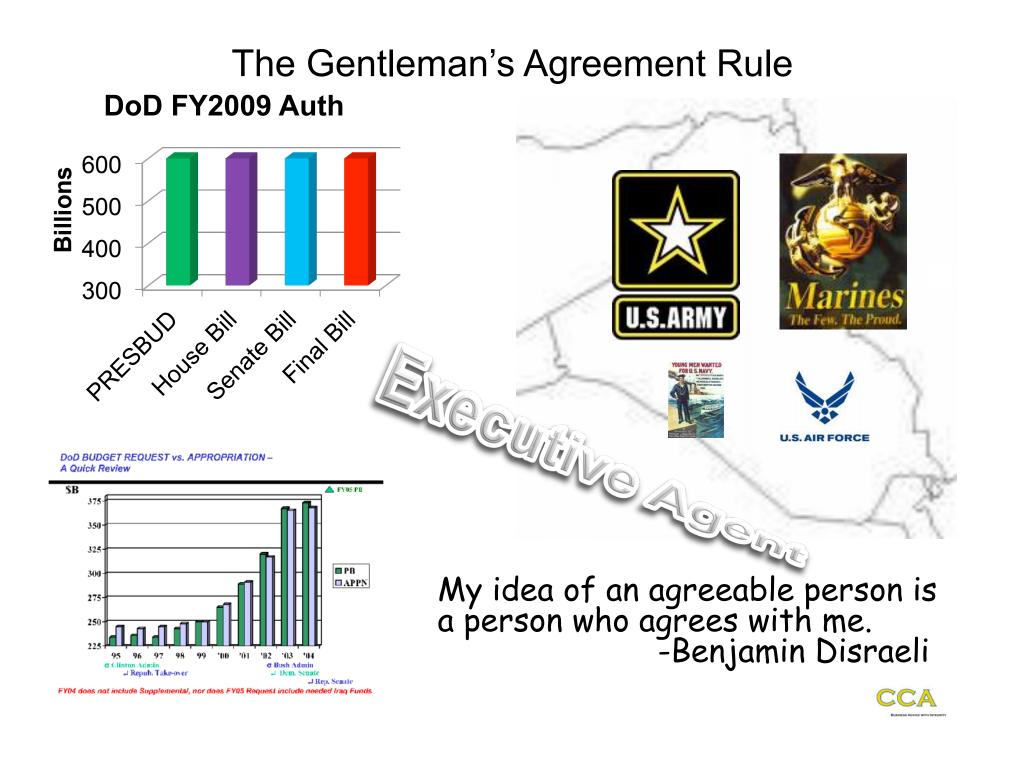
And the Lord spake, saying, "First shalt thou take out the Holy Pin, then shalt thou count to three, no more, no less. Three shall be the number thou shalt count, and the number of the counting shall be three. Four shalt thou not count, neither count thou two, excepting that thou then proceed to three. Five is right out. Once the number three, being the third number, be reached, then lobbest thou thy Holy Hand Grenade of Antioch towards thy foe, who being naughty in my sight, shall snuff it." Amen Monty Python and the Holy Grail





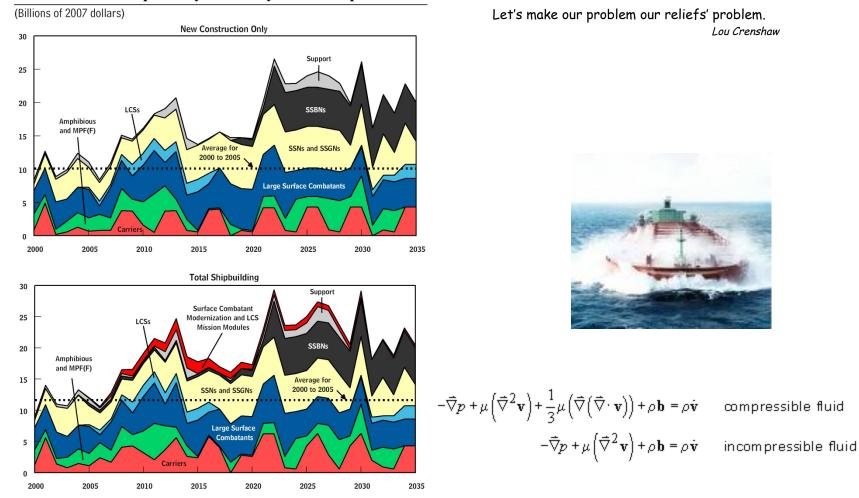






The Move Right Rule

Annual Costs Implied by the Navy's 313-Ship Plan

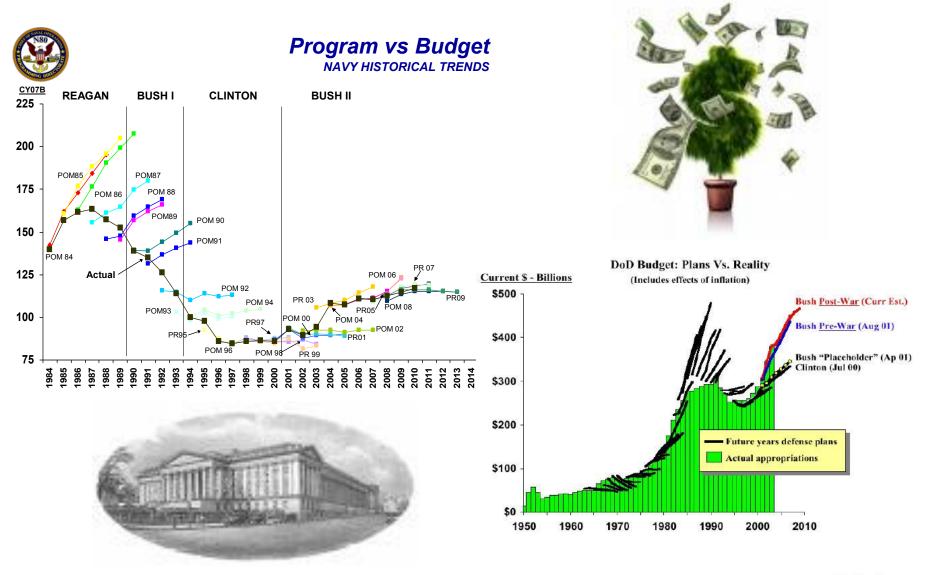


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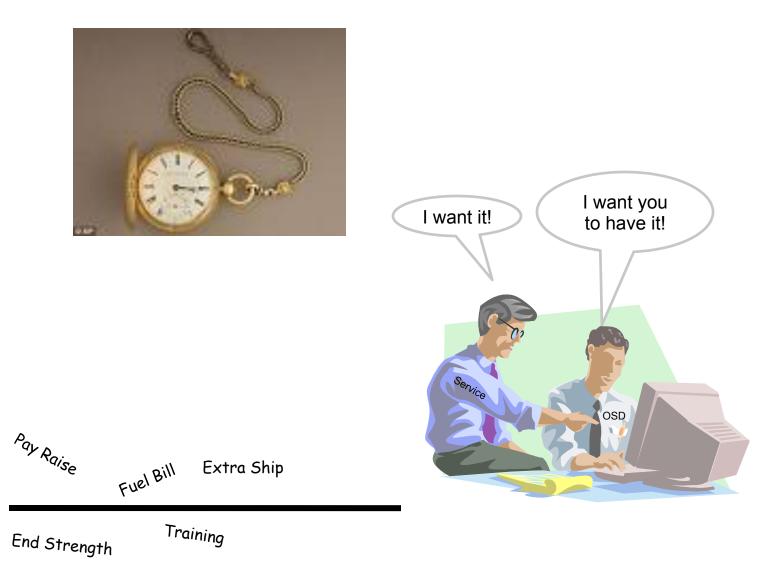




The More Money Rule

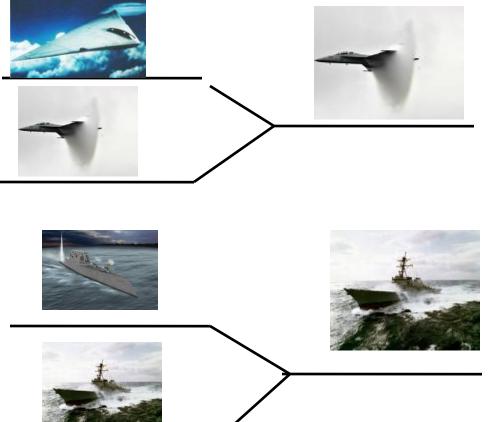


The Gold Watch Rule





The Elimination Rule



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The Unfunded Rule



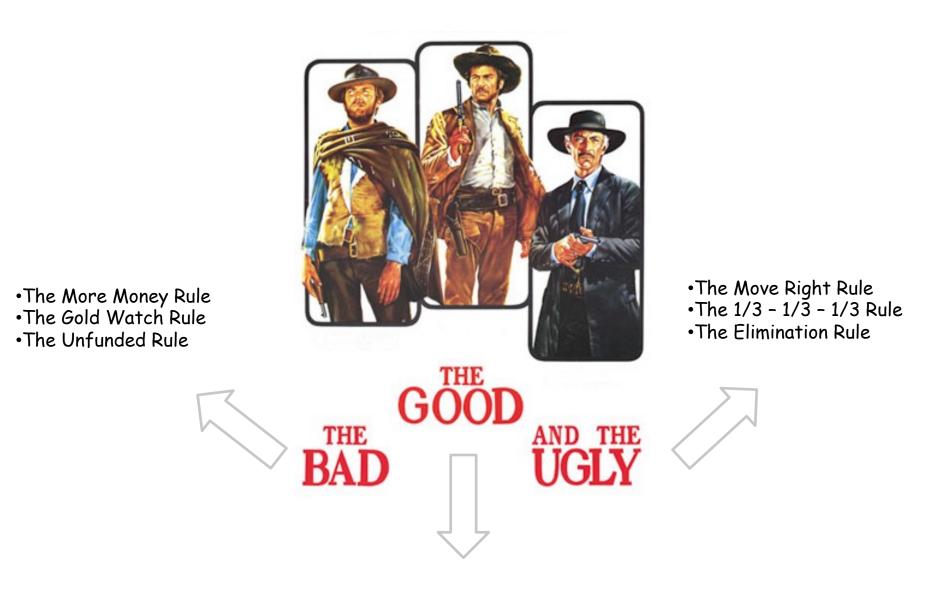




Ye Olde ROE

The 1/3 – 1/3-1/3 Rule
The Gentleman's Agreement Rule
The Move Right Rule
The More Money Rule
The Gold Watch Rule
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•The Gentleman's Agreement Rule



The New Rules

- The Gentleman's Agreement Rule
- The Pay Bills Now Rule
- The Resources Proportional to Joint Value Rule
- The Balance Risks and Requirements Rule

