

I. The Hypothesis of Coercion-Coerced Commitment And Compliance

A. Hypothesis - Domestic Commitment And Compliance Are Caused By Coercive Incentives (Threat and/or Use of Force)

1. Intuitive Foundation - Rational Humans Will Not Normally Engage In Behavior That Is A High Opportunity Cost OR That Puts Them In Mortal Peril
2. However, Is This true of High Risk Occupations Like First Responders (Firemen, Police)

B. The Problematics of Coercion

1 The Paradox of Perfect

Tyranny - A Perfect Tyrant

Is Perfectly Weak (OR

Depends on Positive Incentives

As Well As Coercive (Profits,

Bargains, Bribes)

a. The 1+1 problem - If

the Perfect Tyrant Needs

Support To Exercise Coercive

Over Some Part of the Population,

this cannot be had except

through non-coercive means

(the Coerced Have No Incentive

To Voluntarily Comply

B. 1 b. This kind of Regime (Pure Coercion) Is Unlikely, the Real Question Is the Level of Coercion In Any Given Regime

2 Hypothesis - Highly Coercive Regimes Are Highly Fragile - Low Levels of Domestic Commitment

C. The Myth of Invincibility

1 Too Costly To Create And Sustain

2 Vulnerable To A Single Challenge

3 Arab Spring, Hong Kong, South Africa

D. The Fact of Resistance

I. The Mobilization of Nationalism (Wahlberg)

A. The Nation - A Political Collectivity of Shared Historical Sentiment and Experience

B. Nationalism - An Affirmative Belief in the Worth and Independence of the Nation

C. Types of Nationalism

1. Institutional; US; France

2. Ethnic; Germany, Japan

3. Radical Nationalism

4. Neutral Nationalism