

# **GAME REPORTS**

# Air War College (AWC) Operational Wargame System (OWS) Assassin's Mace & Zapad

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#### **EXSUM**

U.S. Air Force War College's (AWC) Academic Year (AY) 2023 capstone exercise, Global Challenge, was conducted using the Operational Wargame System (OWS), specifically focused on the Assassin's Mace (INDOPACOM AOR) & Zapad (EUCOM AOR) scenarios within OWS. The wargame provided an opportunity for the student body to demonstrate mastery of the material & concepts covered over the entirety of the academic year and provide direct application towards response within a future conflict. Students are required to respond to a crisis, develop an operational approach, then wargame that approach in one of the two possible scenarios. Faculty leveraged the Global Challenge wargame to assess the strategic and operational acumen of their students, demonstrating thoughtful, reasoned recommendations & decisions in both their briefings & wargame activities.