

Launch under attack actions First detonation

Assemble low-level leaders

Confirmation: assemble high-level leaders

Decision

Prepare & transmit EAM

Decode & authenticate

Launch sequence

Missiles away

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Figure A.4—Launch Under Attack Timeline

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The cybernetic approach is clearly the dominant model of C2, judging from both the frequency with which articles about it appear in the command and control literature and the influence it has had on