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B. Validity tests (stability, bottom line, power, hidden agenda) and transition risks (see overleaf):

C. Selected strategy that potentially meets objectives: best combination of deliverables to accomplish client goals from the broadest range of ethical choices

D. Best alternative to selected strategy and Best alternative to a negotiated agreement or BATNA (if and when required):

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<u>a</u> l	Transition-Risk Assignm Reduction Plan Use one pa	nent (Project, Policy): age for each major source of resistance (or veto):	Document: Release:	Page	Harvard®	
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## **Project Goals:**

Project implementation is often fraught with perils and stakeholders' resistance. This exercise makes it easier for each party with veto to support your project and difficult for it to withdraw its commitment. It helps you examine the sources of resistance to change and the consequences of change, both positive and negative, beforehand. It also provides a step-by-step scenario for building allies and drafting a strategy to mitigate transition risks.

Players	Curren	t positi	on	Fut	ure ition	Required position		Principled Interventions & option	
Role & mission of each player	Threats & opportunities	Faction	Power group	Faction	Power group	Faction	Power group	to make the players allies or to keep them at bay Brainstorm and invent mutually-beneficial deals.	
Who is the <b>ultimate target</b> (rarely more than one person)? Once this target is on board, the goals can be achieved. The game is over for the opposing forces.									
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What is the critical mass (minimum number of people whose commitment is necessary to prevent resistance to change and bring the 'target' on board)?									
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What are the <b>entry points</b> to get to t	he critical mass	? Enlist th	ose with	competer	nce, integ	rity, longe	vity and v	vithin your sphere of influence (fairly accessible).	
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Who are the <b>natural allies</b> (supporters) who have some leverage on the entry points and on the critical mass? Use the entry points to cement your strategy.									
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Selected scenario for risk reduction:									

Contingency plan for residual risk (damage control & graceful exit plans): \_