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*Field Manual (FM) 3-0, Operations, remains incomplete in articulating and analyzing one of the U.S. Army's fundamental contributions to the joint force—the consolidation of gains (CG). Expanding upon FM 3-0 will further define the meaning and subsequent value in CG and will demonstrate why the Army is the service best postured to lead CG efforts on behalf of the joint force.*

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