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Non-Lethal Weapons (NLW) Capability Set

DESCRIPTION

The NLW Capability Set contains the weapon systems, munitions, and equipment required to satisfy appropriate NLW employment. Its components are designed primarily to incapacitate personnel or materiel, while minimizing fatalities, permanent injury to personnel, and undesired damage to property and the environment. The NLWs are not required to have no probability of producing fatalities or permanent injuries, but must significantly reduce those probabilities when compared to traditional military weapon systems, munitions, and equipment. The various NLWs are intended to augment the warfighters current capabilities and enhance their role in Military Operations Other Than War, rather than to replace or supplant existing weapons. The set is intended to provide a core NLW capability and a repository for future NLW components.

PROCUREMENT PROFILE:	FY00	FY01
<i>Quantity:</i>	<i>6</i>	<i>0</i>

OPERATIONAL IMPACT

The NLW Capability Set is designed to counter a variety of threats which Marines have previously lacked the appropriate tools to address. Components are ideally suited for use against noncombatants who, by their presence or actions, jeopardize a unit's ability to accomplish its assigned mission.

PROGRAM STATUS

The program is currently fully funded. However, more funding will be required over the years to keep the NLW Capability Set current and to achieve the highest degree of commonality attainable among the Services.

DEVELOPER/MANUFACTURER

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