U.S. Marine Infantry Weapons Update
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Focus of effort is on increasing the capability and reliability of infantry weapons, in order to increase the skill and confidence of Marines to best defeat multidimensional threats across the spectrum of conflict.

Mitch Paige, January 1943
Holistic Integration

Developing Marines and weapons together as a system...

• Marine
  • Weapon
    • Sight
    • Ammunition
Future Challenges and Opportunities

Challenges

• Increase capability while decreasing burden on the Marine
• Gather consensus on service rifle replacement caliber
• Provide scaleable effects – lethal and nonlethal

Opportunities

• Advances in modular, interchangeable design
• Advances in metallurgy
• Advances in ammunition
• Advances in power generation and storage
Questions?