

NATHAN 19375 A NEW CONCEPT IN MOBILE WEAPON SYSTEMS

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A NEW CONCEPT IN MOBILE WEAPON SYSTEMS





WHY THE HAWKEYE?

- World-wide need for light and inexpensive large caliber fire support weapon
- Modularized system that is adaptable in multimission environments
- Simplified design and operation to reduce crew size
- Simplified design to reduce maintenance time/life cycle costs
- Reduced logistics support requirements
- Can be integrated to numerous vehicles
- Adaptable to international 105mm cannons of different caliber length



DESIGN PARAMETERS

The Hawkeye Weapon Systems was designed as a universal, worldwide howitzer which would provide highly mobile and lightweight firepower to any army large or small.

- Modular Multi-Platform Weapon System
- Reduced Recoil Forces
- Reduced Crew Size
- Manufacturing Costs Low
- Smaller Logistic "Footprint"
- Electrically Operated w/Manual Backup
- Emplace/Displace Time





HYBRID SOFT RECOIL

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The importance of low recoil forces on carriages can't be over-stated



Force of "Run-up" minus the Force of "Recoil" = Total Force (F_T)

40-60% reduction in Recoil Force transferred to Carriage!



THE MODULAR CONCEPT

MOUNTED ON A TRAILER



MOUNTED ON A FORD F-250



Low recoil forces allow development and testing on a variety of platforms

MOUNTED ON A MACK DEFENSE "SHERPA"



MOUNTED ON AN AM GENERAL HMMWV





THE MODULAR CONCEPT COST ADVANTAGE



- Adapt to existing vehicle
- Use existing fire control
- Standard 105mm ammo
- Reduced crew size
- Simple design, low maintenance costs
- 250 component drawings
- Extensive use of LRUs



COST ADVANTAGE





STRATEGIC DEPLOYABILITY

- ✓ AIRCRAFT: C-130, C-17, C5A, Helicopters
- ✓ CARGO SHIPS: Hawkeye small "cube" and lightweight
- RAIL TRANSPORT: Fits narrow tunnels/bridges easily mounted to railcars
- GROUND TRANSPORT: Small commercial trailers, military "flatbed" trucks



TACTICAL MOBILITY

- HMMWV/Hawkeye provides superior mobility due to light weight and fewer soldiers
- Self-contained weapon system (one vehicle) for helicopter raids
- Reduced logistics "footprint": established vehicle (HMMWV) and simple weapon design
- Quick emplacement during "hasty maneuvers" (Shoot and Scoot)



FIELD MAINTENANCE

- Line Replacement Units easy to remove/install
- Recoil Mechanism can be disassembled and rebuilt in a clean motor pool
- Common Mechanics Tools no special tools required
- Lightweight Components no need for heavy duty lifting devices



OUR DEFENSE PARTNERS







INITIAL HMMWV TEST



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Any questions?

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TRAILER MOUNT





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HMMWV





AIRCRAFT WEAPON



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EXTERNAL DIMENSIONS

TOTAL WEIGHT = 2552 LBS. W/FIRE CONTROL





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MAJOR COMPONENTS

