

# MARINE CORPS WARFIGHTING LABORATORY

The **Squad Forcible Entry Kit** is composed of various components that were found to be suitable for the forcible entry of urban structures. The Marine Corps has learned from history that streets are the most dangerous place to be during urban operations. It is imperative to provide the rifleman with a method to enter buildings in a safe and expeditious manner.

**Background:** For the past four years, The Marine Corps Warfighting Laboratory's Project Metropolis (ProMet) has been involved in the development of Tactics, Techniques, and Procedures (TTPs) for operations in urban environments. From force on force experimentation results, the Marine Corps Warfighting Lab has concluded a need at the Infantry squad level for a breaching capability that will enable Marines to quickly enter buildings thereby reducing casualties and increasing lethality and speed of operations.

**Description:** The kit consists of the following components:

**Thor's Hammer:** For the forcible entry of inward opening doors.

**Bolt Cutter:** All purpose cutting of chain link and locks.

**Hooligan Tool:** For the forcible entry of outward opening doors and breakage of windows and window frames.

**Sledge Hammer:** All purpose breaching tool.

**Inspection Mirror:** To aid the user in looking around corners by minimizing personal exposure.

**Kevlar Sleeves and Gloves:** Used in conjunction with the Hooligan Tool in order to protect the user's arms and hands from glass shards. (Not shown)

**Collapsible and Nylon Ladders:** Used to aid Marines in the upper story entry of buildings. Also used by company fire support teams to get a better view of the battle space. (Not shown)

## SQUAD FORCIBLE ENTRY KIT

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NYLON TOOL CARRIER



HOOLIGAN TOOL



INSPECTION MIRROR



THOR'S HAMMER



10 lb. SLEDGE HAMMER



BOLT CUTTERS

**Deliverable Products:** The intent of the program is to solidify an optimum kit to be used at the infantry squad and below level. Fielding to be conducted in fiscal year 2004.

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