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A concept proposal from BERETTA.

Non Lethal weapons have a great potential as used in conjunction with the traditional ones. What should be absolutely underlined is that it should be not led to believe that in the near future, Non Lethal Weapons can replace the traditional ones.

Over the centuries, Beretta has been always in the forefront in designing and manufacturing reliable firearms capable of meeting and exceeding all the technical specifications that military and law enforcement users required. Today, we are facing a political and social situation where the concept of war and the method to conduct it is changing dramatically. One of the aspects of this “Revolution in Military Affairs“ can be the development of the concept of “Non Lethality”.

After having examined the parameters of the key factors of the ideal LTL weapon system Beretta started with a project in conjunction with the Italian Armed Forces and the following parameters were outlined :

- PROFITABLE COST/EFFECTIVE RATIO IN ORDER TO ALLOW DISTRIBUTION IN LARGE QUANTITIES.
- EASY TO HANDLE AND USE.
- LIGHT WEIGHT AND ERGONOMIC
- EFFECTIVE (LESS THAN LETHAL CAPACITY) WITHIN RANGE FROM 10 TO 70 METERS.

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TECHNICAL PROPOSAL

- CONFIGURATION : Rifle/shotgun-like ergonomic
- BARREL TECHNOLOGY : Smooth bore , 12ga (approx dia 18.5 mm)
- METHOD OF OPERATION : Pump action
- TYPE OF AMMUNITION : very high deformation projectile combined with
- CONSTANT KINETIC ENERGY SYSTEM
- AIMING / RANGING DEVICE

A prototype of the Beretta LTL weapon system having all the integrated subsystems that will concur to the Constant Kinetic Energy principle will be shown along with a detailed presentation of the System .