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The Army provides the majority of German forces as part of Peace Support Operations. Since the units are established for combined arms combat in support of territorial and allied defense, Peace Support Operations require Army contingents to be tailored as task forces optimized for the different tasks and capabilities required in such operations. Once the political directive for deployment has been issued, assembling, equipping and training these Army contingents must often be carried out under pressure of time.

Therefore the GE Army Staff has issued a

Concept for the Use of Non-Lethal Weapons by Army Forces as Part of Peace Support Operations

GE Army Staff has tasked GE Heeresamt to analyse subtasks and to realize associated NLW capabilities required by Army forces deployed in support of Peace Support. With a view to the required reaction, escalation and de-escalation capacity, the following capabilities, for which NLW are needed, are of particular importance:

- control / canalize crowds
- neutralize / deliberately hamper personnel
- deny access to personnel
- deny access to (ground) vehicles
- neutralize (ground) vehicles
- clear facilities of personnel
- protect installations
- liberate, rescue, evacuate personnel

The briefing will provide a general view of the status of

- conceptional work,
- Program Management Plan,
- selection of promising candidate NLW systems based on maturing technology,
- definition of Measures of Effectiveness for these NLW systems in order to assess their operational effectiveness and
- evaluation the NLW systems using an appropriate national model or simulation tool and