

Non-Lethal Technologies in Brazil

Brazil is a huge country with the fifth largest area and the fifth biggest population in the world. Located in South America, Brazil has ten countries as neighbors and no problems with any of them.

The real problem in Brazil is the unequal wealth distribution, resulting in problems regarding Public Security. A lot of problems that we have are not only in the big cities but also in the countryside.

Considering that scenario the police and even the Army, in some special situations, are supposed to use non-lethal weapons to riot-control. One of the most important applications for non-lethal weapons is to control prison rebellions.

Apart from these situations, Brazil integrates the United Nations Peacekeeping Forces and has a leader position in Haiti.

For all these reasons, the Police and the Armed Forces are improving their understanding in non-lethal weapons in Brazil. Condor Non-Lethal Technologies is a Brazilian company that develops and manufactures several non-lethal weapons, but specially works to disseminate the non-lethal concept to the Law agents.

It is important to remark that Condor, in partnership with other institutions, is creating a Security and Defense Technological Park, in Rio de Janeiro. This park will be important for developing of new technology, especially non-lethal technologies. Many companies, universities and research institutes will be integrated to this park.

This work intends to discuss the new improvements regarding the use of non-lethal weapons in Brazil.

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