

Background

Ref: Classified Urgent Universal Need Statement (CDTS # 06361UC) released by MEF (FWD).

There is an unusual and compelling operational need to rapidly procure a sniper weapon concealment system to support the Operational Forces during the performance of their mission when operating in urban environment. The over presence of a sniper rifle when moving as part of a patrol draws unwanted attention and may lead to mission failure. An integral part of the successful mission of the sniper team is the covert insertion and subsequent extraction of that team. The Gunslinger will allow sniper teams the ability to conceal their rifles.

Mission

The capability to conceal sniper rifles during insertion and extraction of teams in order to deter and destroy Anti-Iraq elements (AIE) and Anti-Coalition Forces (ACF), that are conducting attacks on Main Supply Routes (MSR) and Observation Post (OP).

Description

- 2900 cubic inch.
- Back scabbard is wide enough to hold any type of rifle, including assault rifles and rifles with large scopes (DPMS .308 LRR with Leupold 6.5-20 x 50 LT/T)
- Full side access to the main compartment, with Hydration bladder housing and multiple pockets with varied sizes and configurations.
- Fully padded harness, back padding, and external compression straps.

Fielding Status

Unit		A/O	Procured	Fielded
MEF	(FWD)	182	182	182
SSS	(IMEF)	5	5	5
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MCSC		3	7	7
Total		200	204	204

SSS: Scout Sniper School.

Production

• The manufacturer, Eberlestock, will produce and deliver all Gunslingers to receiving units.

Funding

• Estimated unit cost: \$187.00

• Funding required for fielding to A/O: \$37,400.00

Sustainment/Logistics

TAMCN: PendingIDNO: PendingNSN: Pending

• GSA will be the source of sustainment for the Gunslinger.

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