Abstract

This poster presentation will demonstrate the International Less Lethal Weapons Database.

Obtaining information related to less lethal weapons is challenging. There is currently not a single source where this data has been adequately correlated. Nor has the international law enforcement or military communities had a reputable, independent, and structured source of information from which to draw. There is therefore no single comprehensive reference point to assist in researching whether there is a technology for use in a given situation, what research has been undertaken, what agencies have operational experience of equipment or to examine the associated injury data.

The International Less Lethal weapons Database created by the Police Scientific Development Branch in collaboration with the European Working Group on Non-Lethal Weapons (EWG-NLW) and the International Law Enforcement Forum (ILEF) will provide such a structure.

The database will provide original source material relating to less lethal weapons for government, law enforcement and military agencies via a password-protected website. The database will contain unrestricted information that contributors are happy to be released into the public domain. Other more sensitive information can be obtained by site visitors through contact details and links to the owner of the information.

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