

The Future of Special Weapons & Tactical Teams in Law Enforcement

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This project was undertaken to look at what role future Special Weapons and Tactics Teams (S.W.A.T.) will play in law enforcement. After reading many current newspaper and magazine articles, the only way to find out what the future held was to interview visionaries. After conducting interviews with several chiefs of police, the information received revealed some surprises. This project shows that S.W.A.T. teams do indeed have a future in law enforcement. Based on the information obtained from the interviews, it was found that as our society breeds more violent criminals, street gangs, domestic terrorists, and hate groups, there will be a definite need for better trained, equipped, and funded S.W.A.T. teams in the future.