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BLACKHAWK'S MASTERS OF DEFENSE KNIVES FOR 2005

NORFOLK, VA (December 3, 2004) – Masters of Defense (M.O.D.), a BlackHawk® Products Group company is introducing three new patents pending tactical knives for 2005. M.O.D. is regarded within the industry, as well by their numerous customers, to be the most versatile production tactical knife company using only the most advanced materials available on state-of-the-art computerized machinery. M.O.D. knives are designed by some of the industry's foremost defensive fighting experts, special warfare operators and special operations training personnel.

The M.O.D. Nightwing, an Allen Elishewitz designed fixed-blade knife. The Nightwing features a 5.9" blade made of S30V steel in a Diamond Black DLC coating. The ergonomically shaped Zytel® handle features wingwalk inserts. The Nightwing will be available in three blade configurations with the first being a full thickness spine and clip point. The other two options incorporate a sharpened or serrated back edge optimizing the knife's utility and combat potential by providing a secondary edge suitable for heavy cutting, back cuts, and draw cuts. The sheath for the Nightwing is in an Olive Drab ballistic material featuring retention straps and is adaptable to the BlackHawk S.T.R.I.K.E.™ system. The MSRP is \$285.00.

The Beshara XSF-1 is a combat blade in a dagger style designed by former Canadian special operations soldier and knife maker, Brent Beshara. The chisel grind on one edge is mirrored on the other side, and where they meet at the point is a third edge providing the supreme combination of edge geometry and tip strength. This patent pending triple-edge design will penetrate as well if not better than most normally ground knives but with the advantage of having a stronger tip. The blade is precision machined from A2 steel and Diamond Black DLC Coated. The handle is comprised of G10 polymer contoured slabs and an integral double guard for a positive combat grip. The blade length is 6.4" with an overall length of 11.6". MSRP is \$260.00 in the steel version, and \$285.00 for the titanium model.

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The Caracara, named for a South American bird of prey, is a step in a new direction for M.O.D. Still built for tactical use, the Caracara is an elegant hawk billed folder featuring an all titanium Persian grip handle with a state-of-the-art integral frame lock. The contoured grip has two insert applications available; a smooth carbon fiber or a textured G10 polymer insert. An enlarged choil area on the handle allows for a standard three-finger grip and can accommodate a four-finger grip comfortably. The blade is made of S30V steel with matching Diamond Black DLC coated thumb studs. The blade length is 3" and the overall length is 7.3". The Caracara is supplied with two pocket clips for tip-up or tip-down carry. MSRP is \$360.00 for the manual and \$395.00 for the automatic (Sold to LE, Military, Fire/EMS only).

About BlackHawk Products Group

BlackHawk, founded in 1993 by President and CEO Mike Noell, is recognized as the world leader in supplying tactical equipment to the military and law enforcement markets. Mike was trained as a US Navy SEAL and incorporated that experience and discipline in building a company dedicated to designing equipment for the preservation of life under the worst extremes.

BlackHawk Products Group was formed in 2003 to accelerate the pace of introducing new best-in-class products to the performance oriented tactical market through intensive internal R&D initiatives and selective acquisitions. BPG acquired MOD tactical knives in November of 2003. Delta Design Group was acquired in December of 2003 to strengthen and direct the BPG R&D effort. The recently acquired Jungst Scientific further expands on these capabilities. BlackHawk Products Group will make future announcements about other recent acquisitions and strategic alliances to coincide with their formal product launches.

BlackHawk is headquartered in Norfolk, Virginia with offices in Montana, North Carolina, Nevada, and Germany. For more information regarding BlackHawk or any of its products, call 800-694-5263, or log on to www.blackhawk.com.

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