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((TEXT)) GUANGZHOU, 27 JUL (XINHUA) -- A NEW RAPID REACTION UNIT  
MADE ITS HEROIC APPEARANCE THIS MORNING IN GUANGZHOU CITY BY GIVING  
A DEMONSTRATION OF ITS UNIQUE TRAINING AND MILITANT BEARING.

SEVERAL HUNDRED PARTY, GOVERNMENT, AND ARMY LEADERS WATCHED THE  
DEMONSTRATION WITH GREAT INTEREST. AMONG THEM WERE HAN HUAIZHI,  
DEPUTY CHIEF OF GENERAL STAFF OF THE PEOPLE'S LIBERATION ARMY  
((PLA)); ZHU DUNFA AND ZHANG ZHONGXIAN, COMMANDER AND POLITICAL  
COMMISSAR, RESPECTIVELY, OF THE GUANGZHOU MILITARY REGION; AND LIN  
RUO, SECRETARY OF THE GUANGDONG PROVINCIAL PARTY COMMITTEE.

THIS UNIT HAS DIVERSIFIED COMBAT CAPABILITIES AND CAN FULFILL  
SPECIAL FIGHTING TASKS. ITS BASIC CHARACTERISTICS ARE GREAT  
CAPABILITIES, HIGH FLEXIBILITY, GOOD EQUIPMENT, AND HIGH MOBILITY.  
IT CAN LAUNCH ATTACKS FROM AIRPLANES AS WELL AS RIDE SPEEDBOATS TO  
FIGHT ON WATER. IT IS NOT ONLY PROFICIENT IN THE USE OF VARIOUS  
KINDS OF WEAPONS AND CAN SHOOT WITH UNFAILING ACCURACY, BUT ALSO HAS  
UNIQUE MARTIAL ART AND QIGONG ((3049 0501; A SPECIAL KIND OF CHINESE

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MARTIAL ART)) SKILLS THAT CAN TAKE THE LIVES OF THE ENEMIES. IT IS NOT ONLY CAPABLE OF OPERATING ALL KINDS OF MOTOR VEHICLES IN CITIES, BUT ALSO CAN SURVIVE IN REMOTE AND DENSELY FORESTED MOUNTAINS. ALL OFFICERS AND MEN HAVE UNDERGONE INTENSIVE AND ALL-ROUND TRAINING TO MEET THE REQUIREMENT THAT THEY MUST BE EXPERT AT ONE THING AND GOOD AT MANY. THEY ALL POSSESS SUCH SPECIAL SKILLS AS HAND-TO-HAND COMBAT, EXPLOSIVES, PARACHUTING, CLIMBING, WILDERNESS SURVIVAL, AND CARRYING OUT SURPRISE ATTACKS IN CITIES, AND HAVE A RELATIVELY HIGH LEVEL OF COMBAT ABILITY.

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