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Cover

As the US Marine Corps restructures itself into a more agile, flexible force, capable of a wider range of intervention missions, amphibious assault remains high of its lift of essential proficiencies, as shown in this combat readiness evaluation at Marine Corps Base Camp Pendleton, CA in November. Several articles in this issue profile Chinese capabilities and likely intentions – which the Corps will one day have to confront. (Photo: US DoD)

Small inserts on cover depict

- US Marines and Georgian troops conduct an extraction operation prior to a mission rehearsal exercise in Patuhk, Georgia, in October, preparing Georgian personnel to contribute to NATO’s Operation Resolute Support in Afghanistan. (Photo: USN/PO2 Victor Gonzalez)
- US Defense Secretary, Dr. Mark T Esper, touring an IRON DOME exhibit in Tel Aviv with Israeli Defence Minister Benny Gantz in October. (Photo: US DoD/ Lisa Fernandez)
- A six-aircraft formation flight over Oklahoma in October, flown by the THUNDERBIRDS, the US Air Force’s flight demonstration team. (Photo: USAF/Sr Airman Jonathon Carrell)

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A Joint Light Tactical Vehicle (JLTV) during an advanced driver’s training course at Fort A P Hill, VA. (Photo: USMC/LCpl Armando Elizalde)

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