



MV-22 Osprey. The MV-22B Osprey is a tiltrotor aircraft that can take off and land like a helicopter, but transition in flight and reach speeds comparable to fixed-wing airplanes. Ospreys can carry Marines and equipment into and out of a variety of locations throughout the world—without the need for airstrips or helicopter landing pads.

Speed: 0 – 270 knots
Max alt: 25,000 feet
Capacity: 24 combat-loaded Marines

Combat Range: 390 nautical miles without aerial refueling. With aerial refueling, range is greatly increased.



KC-130J Hercules. The KC-130J is an extended-range version of the C-130 transport aircraft, built primarily for aerial refueling of fixed-wing aircraft and helicopters, including the MV-22 Osprey. It is also capable of aerial delivery of troops and equipment.

Cruising Speed: 348 knots (400 mph)
Max Altitude: 28,000 feet
Capacity: 76 combat-loaded Marines
Range: 3,250 nautical miles

Special Purpose Marine Air-Ground Task Force Crisis Response *Overview*



U.S. Marine Corps



SP-MAGTF Crisis Response is a self-deploying, self-sustaining force capable of responding to a full range of crises throughout the U.S. Africa Command area of responsibility, including embassy reinforcement, support to noncombatant evacuation, support to humanitarian assistance and disaster relief, and tactical recovery of aircraft and personnel.



SP-MAGTF Crisis Response is comprised of a scalable contingent of Marines and sailors. The unit's organic assets include MV-22 Osprey tiltrotor aircraft, KC-130J Hercules aerial refueling tankers, a logistics and sustainment element, and one reinforced company of infantry Marines. Aside from maintaining a constant alert status and staying abreast of training and readiness standards, the Marines and sailors also participate in joint, bilateral, and multilateral training events with partner nations throughout the African and European theaters. The unit is commanded by a Marine colonel.



The Ground Combat Element of ***SP-MAGTF Crisis Response*** consists of a reinforced company of infantry Marines, focused on embassy security and reinforcement, recovery operations, and support to evacuation.

SP-MAGTF Crisis Response maintains a variety of logistics assets to provide



limited sustainment abroad, including water purification, engineering, ground refueling, landing support, and medical capabilities.