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Ft. Benning soldiers set records with BEAMHIT™. March 5, 1998 - The US Army Infantry Center Significant Activity (SIGACT) report today noted that soldiers of the Infantry Training Brigade set records for M16A2 qualification after training on BEAMHIT™ Marksmanship Training Systems. In a side-by-side comparison of BEAMHIT™ with the baseline Army training program, the following results were recorded:

	<u>Experts</u>	<u>Sharpshooter</u>	<u>Marksman</u>	<u>First Time No Go</u>
BASELINE	16	34	38	18
BEAMHIT™	32*	38	26	4

*Includes 7 PERFECT scores

The test split one company of soldiers into two groups. Two platoons trained using the standard Army program of instruction (POI). The two BEAMHIT™ platoons used a POI developed by the US Army Reserve Small Arms Training Team (SATT). The results showed a 100% improvement in expert qualifications and a 450% advantage in cutting the number of first time NO GOs ('bolo's). The record of 7 perfect scores from two platoons has been described as, "An incredible result," by senior Army representatives.

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