

Multi-purpose *SmarTruck II* ready for action

The U.S. Army's *SmarTruck II* – undoubtedly engineered with the war on terrorism in mind – bristles with new electronic and communications technologies. Capable of both counterterrorism support and homeland security, it can also assist with disaster relief missions

Chassis: Modified
Chevrolet Silverado pickup

Engine: V8 – 350bhp

Cost: Prototype between
\$500,000 and \$1 million

Interchangeable steel box system. Mission-specific equipment can be swapped over in an hour



3D mapping and eavesdropping systems in rear of cab



Unmanned *POINTER* drone – launched from vehicle – can stream back live video

Extendable 35ft optical tower

Six-wheel drive, run-flat tyres

360 video cameras

Three pepper-gas sprays under wheel arches

SPIKE “fire and forget” missile system

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