

Re: How much parachute training in U.S. military?

Re: How much parachute training in U.S. military?

Source: <http://sci.tech-archive.net/Archive/sci.military.moderated/2005-05/msg00052.html>

- *From:* Andrew Swallow <am.swallow@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx>
 - *Date:* Tue, 17 May 2005 15:13:32 +0000 (UTC)
-

Thomas Schoene wrote:

[snip]

No. The 82nd arrived in June 2002, well after the initial entry into Afghanistan. (Northern Alliance troops captured Kabul in November 2001). They simply air-landed at an already secure airfield. There was one small-scale airborne op, a 70-man drop into northern Afghanistan, but nothing large scale.

Sounds like sufficient air drop is needed to:

- a. capture an airfield
- b. capture a small island
- c. build an airfield - this requires air drop of machines
- d. small deployments, behind enemy lines, of special forces.

.