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Standardization of equipment is both prudent and practical. The modern military mask has the added value of rapid filter exchange and can not be easily defeated by mixed gas toxins (as was part of the Soviet doctrine)

The military serves as a basic training ground for many first responders and to utilize their advanced equipment will seem very natural for the next generation of first responders.

It strikes me that the Federal government will have a lead role in civil defense and stability operations and that their logistical train will arrive well before many others.

I would not place my first responders at the mercy of a supply chain that I could not control.

Regards,
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