

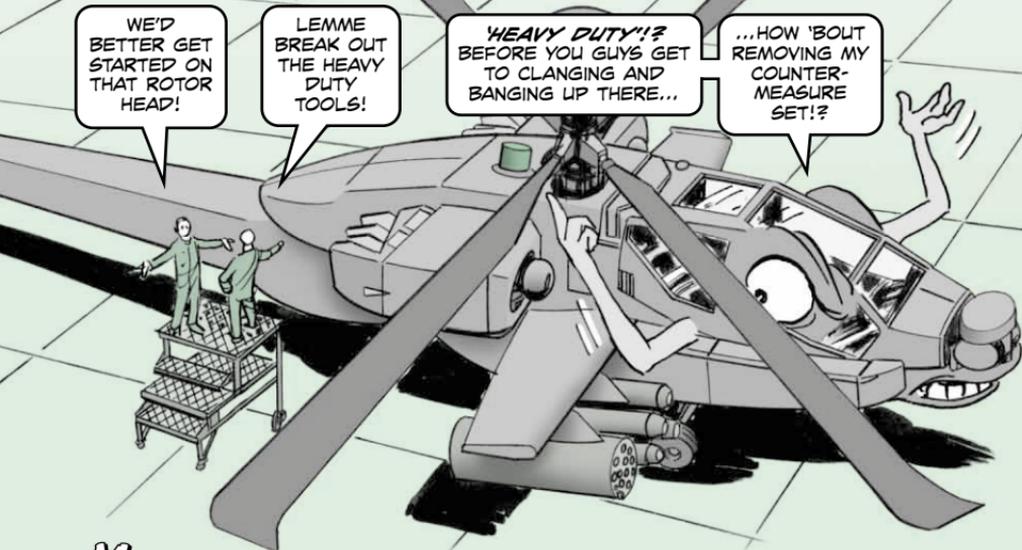
# PROTECT COUNTERMEASURE SET

WE'D BETTER GET STARTED ON THAT ROTOR HEAD!

LEMME BREAK OUT THE HEAVY DUTY TOOLS!

*HEAVY DUTY!?*  
BEFORE YOU GUYS GET TO CLANGING AND BANGING UP THERE...

...HOW 'BOUT REMOVING MY COUNTER-MEASURE SET!?



**M**echanics, when doing rotor head maintenance on your AH-64A/Ds, slippery fingers and dropped tools put the countermeasure set in harm's way.

The best preventive maintenance countermeasure when working on the rotor head is to remove the set from the bird. It can be best protected by placing it in a safe/secure container, such as the system's carrying can cover. The short-term storage procedures are on page 2-19 of TM 11-5685-200-34-1.

Remove countermeasure set when possible while working on rotor head



First, that keeps you from using the set as a step or a stool. Second, if you do accidentally drop a tool or a wrench slips out of your hand as you torque a bolt in the rotor head, the set's not there to get damaged.

Even though the protective cover, NSN 5865-01-109-1800, covers the set, a dropped wrench can still damage the glass mirror panes. At \$46 a pane, that's a hefty financial hit to your unit's budget.

Be safe, rather than sorry, and safely store the countermeasure set when performing rotor head maintenance.