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**MEET THE PEOPLE WHO MAKE THE HUNTERS THE HUNTED IN THE ALL-NEW  
DISCOVERY SERIES *KIDNAP & RESCUE***

***-- Unparalleled Access to the Operatives Who, For the First Time, Talk about Risking  
Their Own Lives to Save Others --***

(Silver Spring, Md.) – **KIDNAP & RESCUE** is a provocative new series about kidnapping and the rescuers with the courage to go where no one else can – risking violent reprisal to reclaim innocent victims, inside our borders and beyond. Whether it's a high-profile executive being held for ransom, a child sold overseas or a DEA agent taken by a vengeful cartel, the hope of every victim lies in the hands of the few with the training and dedication to bring them home. **KIDNAP & RESCUE**, premiering January 29, 2011, takes Discovery Channel viewers deep into a shadow world of astonishing cruelty and terrifying extremes.

Each unforgettable story, told across 10 episodes, unfolds through first-hand accounts and cinematic reimaginings of the kidnap, the planning of the rescue and the recovery itself, to outcomes both triumphant and tragic. To fight the evolving threat, Kidnap & Rescue firms specialize in securing "high net worth" clients, providing cutting-edge surveillance on the U.S./Mexico border and orchestrating the collapse of human trafficking rings. Regardless of the mission, the motivations are the same – get everyone back alive, regardless of the danger.

The first episode of **KIDNAP & RESCUE** features HALO Corporation, a San Diego-based security firm founded by Brad Barker and his team of former Special Ops, National Security and Intelligence personnel. Together they work to provide security and humanitarian aid along the U.S./Mexico border. This episode tells the story of two kidnappings to which HALO responds.

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**FARMHOUSE**

A “high net worth” dual citizen of Mexico and the U.S. was dragged at gunpoint from his home in Mexico. The victim’s family contacted HALO to locate and rescue him. Upon entering the home, they found a blood bath and feared the man dead – until they received a call from the kidnapper demanding a significant ransom. Using high tech equipment and their years of military and special operations experience, the team was able to pinpoint and infiltrate the location. They arrived in search of one victim. They weren’t prepared for what they found.

**GOLDILOCKS**

A teenage girl living in the Southwestern U.S. snuck out to a party where she met a “friend of a friend.” At the party, she jumped into a stranger’s vehicle where she was drugged, bound, hooded and abducted. She awoke in a Mexican brothel. Her family searched for her for years, never giving up hope, unaware of her descent into desperation and dependency. HALO, commissioned to find her, went to great lengths before crossing paths with a very unlikely informant.

Every year thousands of children go missing – many of them snatched and sold into slavery.

**KIDNAP & RESCUE** profiles two missions carried out by “Project Child Save,” an all-volunteer team of highly trained operators led by former marine Ty Ritter. To date, his group has rescued hundreds of children worldwide.

**JENNY**

“Jenny” was snatched from a fenced yard in a quiet California suburb on Christmas day. She was just two years old. Ty Ritter and his team at “Project Child Save” followed her to Brazil, where she was sold to a child pornography ring. Under cover of darkness, Ritter and his team traversed dense jungle for seven hours, fording the Amazon River and evading hostile wildlife. When they arrived at the fortified compound, an all-out firefight erupted. The six-man team stormed the compound and found Jenny inside. Despite the noise, commotion and guns carried by the team, Jenny recognized her saviors and reached out to them.

**PANAMA**

Ty Ritter and his team at “Project Child Save” received intel about a brother and sister abducted and smuggled into Panama. He knew what he had to do: he rallied his team to attack the source. The victims were being held in a heavily fortified compound in a remote region of the country. During infiltration, all hell broke loose. Ty and his men survived a dangerous and chaotic close-quarters showdown. Ritter has the souvenir to prove it – a scar across his face from the machete that nearly killed him. A small price to pay for getting the children out alive.

Also featured in **KIDNAP & RESCUE**: The Guidry Group, a discreet international private security firm specializing in white-collar clients, hired to rescue a banker held by Malaysian Jihadists; the men and women of elite task force HIKE, fighting the rising tide of kidnap crews in Phoenix, AZ; SECFOR International, a personal protection and recovery group that excels in covert action; and a man named David Little who, with the assistance of his identity-protected partner, secured the successful release of Thomas Hargrove (whose story was the basis for the film *Proof of Life*.)

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