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*Naughty robot: Where's your human operator?*

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In my report, I set out the concerns about lethal autonomous robots. I discussed the fact that they may lower the threshold for states to go to war. It may make it easier for states to engage in war. It's possible that they may not meet the standards of international humanitarian law.

And it's also a question who will be responsible if they kill a large number of people, for example. Obviously, the robots cannot be held accountable, but then who else should be held accountable? And it's also in principle a question whether we want machines to kill people and decide who to kill.

I'm asking the Human Rights Council to endorse the idea of a moratorium that states should not be using this kind of weapons until such time as there is more clarity on how the international community wants to deal with this. And I'm calling on the Human Rights Commission, the Commissioner of Human Rights, to appoint a high-level panel consisting of people from Disarmament and people from Human Rights and others to come up with a framework within which these weapons, these future weapons, should be dealt with.

The report says, let's, in this case, try to think about it before we start to use it and say to what extent do we want to use it, because this is really a huge jump for humanity to say we are now going to allow machines to kill human beings. But I think one of the options is, of course, to ban it outright and say nobody should have it. Another option is to say it should be used under certain circumstances and not under other circumstances. I suppose it's possible that the high-level panel may say some say the states should have it and not other states, but I wouldn't see that really as the most obvious answer.

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