



CAMPAIGN TO **STOP** KILLER ROBOTS

United Nations General Assembly
First Committee on Disarmament & International Security

SIDE EVENT BRIEFING

“Fully Autonomous Weapons & the CCW Review Conference”

Tuesday, 18 October 2016

13:15-14:45

Conference Room A

United Nations

New York

Introduction

- Amb. Tehmina Janjua of Pakistan, **President of CCW Fifth Review Conference**

Speakers

- Ms. Mary Wareham, **Campaign to Stop Killer Robots**
- Prof. Stuart Russell, **University of California at Berkeley**
- Mr. Steve Goose, **Human Rights Watch**

Moderator

- Prof. Matthew Bolton, **International Committee for Robot Arms Control**

The **Campaign to Stop Killer Robots** is a global coalition of more than 60 non-governmental organizations working to preemptively ban weapons systems that would select targets and use force without meaningful human control. This side event will look at recent developments and the **Fifth Review Conference** of the Convention on Conventional Weapons (CCW), where states will decide on December 16 whether to progress in 2017 with their deliberations on lethal autonomous weapons systems, also known as fully autonomous weapons.

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Brief biographies of speakers

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Amb. Tehmina Janjua, President of CCW Fifth Review Conference

Ambassador Tehmina Janjua is Pakistan's permanent representative to the Conference on Disarmament in Geneva. She is serving as president-designate of the **Fifth Review Conference** of the Convention on Conventional Weapons (CCW), which will be held at the United Nations in Geneva on 12-16 December 2016. She is the first representative from a Non-Aligned Movement member state to preside over a CCW Review Conference and the first woman to do so. She served as Pakistan's ambassador to Italy until October 2015. [@TehminaJanjua](#)

Ms. Mary Wareham, Campaign to Stop Killer Robots

Ms. Mary Wareham has coordinated the Campaign to Stop Killer Robots since its inception in October 2012. She is advocacy director of the arms division of Human Rights Watch and has played a central role in the International Campaign to Ban Landmines and Cluster Munition Coalition, the civil society engines behind the 1997 Mine Ban Treaty and 2008 Convention on Cluster Munitions. [@marywareham](#) [@hrw](#)

Prof. Stuart Russell, University of California at Berkeley

Professor Stuart Russell is a professor of computer science and engineering at the University of California at Berkeley. He co-authored with Peter Norvig a seminal 1994 textbook on artificial intelligence and is part of a community of experts that urge more research on how to reap the benefits and potential of artificial intelligence "while avoiding potential pitfalls." In April 2015, Russell presented at the second Convention on Conventional Weapons (CCW) meeting on lethal autonomous weapons systems. He also spoke on the matter at the World Economic Forum in Davos in January 2015.

Mr. Steve Goose, Human Rights Watch

Mr. Steve Goose is executive director of the Arms Division of Human Rights Watch, a co-founder of the Campaign to Stop Killer Robots. Goose and Human Rights Watch were instrumental in bringing about the 2008 Convention on Cluster Munitions, the 1997 Mine Ban Treaty, and the CCW's 1995 protocol banning blinding lasers and 2003 protocol on explosive remnants of war. [@SteveDGoose](#) [@hrw](#)

Prof. Matthew Bolton, International Committee for Robot Arms Control

Professor Matthew Bolton is associate chair of political science at Pace University in New York, where he also heads the Model United Nations program. Bolton is a member of the International Committee for Robot Arms Control, which is a co-founder of the Campaign to Stop Killer Robots. [@politicalmines](#) [@icracnet](#)

Other members of the campaign's **Steering Committee** attending the 71st session of UNGA First Committee on Disarmament and International Security include **Article 36**, **Mines Action Canada**, **PAX**, and the **Women's International League for Peace and Freedom**.

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