The Campaign to Stop Killer Robots is pleased to invite you to a

**SIDE EVENT**

in the margins of the Convention on Conventional Weapons on

*Transparency is Not Enough*

*Why a Preemptive Ban is Needed Now*

**Wednesday, 13 April 2016**

13:00-14:30

Conference Room XXIV

UN Palais des Nations, Geneva

*Sandwiches and refreshments will be provided*

Featuring:

- Mr. Thomas Nash, Article 36
- Ms. Miriam Struyk, PAX
- Prof. Peter Asaro, International Committee for Robot Arms Control

Moderated by Ms. Ray Acheson, WILPF Reaching Critical Will

This briefing will look at why initiatives that fall short of a legally-binding instrument, such as transparency measures and Article 36 weapons reviews represent an insufficient response to the challenges raised by fully autonomous weapons.

No RSVP required. For more information, please see: [www.stopkillerrobots.org](http://www.stopkillerrobots.org) or contact Ms. Mary Wareham at: Tel. (646) 203-8292, wareham@hrw.org
Biographies of Speakers

**Thomas Nash, Article 36**
Mr. Thomas Nash is director of Article 36 and joint coordinator of the International Network on Explosive Weapons. As Cluster Munition Coalition coordinator from 2004 to 2011, he helped secure the 2008 Convention on Cluster Munitions. In 2014, Article 36 launched a pledge signed by more than 50 individuals committing not to participate in all-male panels on disarmament and security topics. @nasthomas @Article36

**Miriam Struyk, PAX**
Ms. Struyk is program director for security and disarmament at PAX (formerly IKV Pax Christi), a Dutch peace organization that is a co-founder of the Campaign to Stop Killer Robots. In early 2014, PAX released the campaign’s first short animated film in together with a 32-page report detailing its objections to killer robots. PAX has collecting dozens of signatures on an interfaith statement supporting the campaign’s call for a preemptive ban on fully autonomous weapons. @miriamstruyk @PAXvoorvrede

**Peter Asaro, International Committee for Robot Arms Control**
Prof. Peter Asaro is director of Graduate Programs for the School of Media Studies at The New School for Public Engagement in New York and co-founder and vice-chair of the International Committee for Robot Arms Control (ICRAC). He is a philosopher of technology who has worked in artificial intelligence, neural networks, natural language processing and robot vision research. Prof. Asaro spoke at the first CCW meeting on lethal autonomous weapons systems in May 2014. @peterasaro @icracnet

**Ray Acheson, WILPF**
Ms. Acheson is director of the Reaching Critical Will project of the Women’s International League for Peace and Freedom (WILPF), a co-founder of the Campaign to Stop Killer Robots. WILPF turning 100 in April 2015 and is the oldest women’s peace organization in the world. @achesonray @RCW_ @WILPF

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