



Global Action 2021



Let's work together to ensure meaningful human control over the use of force.

What is the filter?

A new interactive social media filter from Stop Killer Robots - a game we're calling Escape the Scan. It's an augmented reality experience that invites you to move around to escape the killer robot's scan. It's available through your Facebook or Instagram and you move around to see if you're able to escape the scan before the time runs out. Thankfully the filter isn't like real life killer robots so if you can't escape, you can just try again - but it's fun trying all the same.



Although the filter is a novelty and a bit of fun, there is a more serious point to be made:

The unfortunate truth is that if you were actually targeted by an autonomous weapon, whether that's because of your location, proximity to others, your race, or even gender for example, there likely would be no escape at all. And the time to act on that, is now.

WHAT

The aim of the filter is to raise awareness within a wider audience of the issues surrounding automated killing (especially in a world of growing digital dehumanisation and AI bias), and to leverage that support to demonstrate the requirement for change politically.

This is achieved with a petition that sits on both the Stop Killer Robots and Amnesty International websites.

You can help us by signing and sharing our petition [here](#).

WHY

The wider campaign focuses on the petition and calls for new international law on autonomy in weapons systems, to protect our shared humanity.

It's important that policy makers at an international level feel that the world is watching and expecting action to ensure a legal response to challenges posed by autonomy in weapons systems. There is an opportunity to do that now, using the petition, before technological developments have gone too far.



Formed in October 2012, Stop Killer Robots is a global coalition of over 180 international, regional, and national non-governmental organizations (NGOs) in 65+ countries. Amnesty International are a key member of the coalition and are on our Steering Committee. This is a joint action and made possible with their continued support.

We believe that technology should be used to empower all people, not to reduce us - to stereotypes, labels or just a pattern of 1's and 0's. With growing digital dehumanisation, the Stop Killer Robots coalition works to ensure human control in the use of force.

The campaign calls for new international law on autonomy in weapons systems. It's important that policy makers at an international level know that the world is watching and expecting action. We aim to demonstrate that demand through our petition, on social media, and in the streets. To illustrate that point now, before technological developments have gone too far.



Most countries, countless tech specialists, and even U.N. Secretary-General António Guterres are committed to a need for a new international law on autonomy in weapons systems, but some - including, China, Israel, Russia, South Korea, the UK and US, have blocked efforts. Demonstrating a public determination for change can overcome that - we've seen it happen with landmines, cluster bombs and other abhorrent weapons.

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A UN Expert Group highlighted to the Security Council the use of 'lethal autonomous weapon systems' in attacks in Libya in 2020 where fighters were 'hunted down and remotely engaged.' This is the first time a UN report has noted the use of autonomous weapons and shows that technologies like this are increasingly prevalent. And it's not even limited to armed forces - it can also be private civilian companies whose tech and workforce have contributed to the development of problematic technologies - currently there is no control or limits to the tech that's being developed and the way in which lives can be taken.



Thank you

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