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Legal challenges posed by fully autonomous weapons systems

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Lethal autonomous weapons systems (LAWS), which some have dubbed as 'killer robots', raise legal, ethical and practical questions regarding their potential deployment in the battlefield. LAWS will be a subject of discussion at the 2015 Meeting of States Parties to the Convention on Certain Conventional Weapons later this year. This seminar will explore some of the legal challenges posed by LAWS, including in the context of international humanitarian law.

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