
Convention on Prohibitions or Restrictions on the Use of Certain Conventional Weapons Which May Be Deemed to Be Excessively Injurious or to Have Indiscriminate Effects

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Item 4 of the provisional agenda for 2021 sessions

Organization of the work of the Group of Governmental Experts

Provisional programme of work

Submitted by the Chairperson

Tuesday, 3 August 2021

10:00 – 13:00

1. Opening of the meeting
2. Adoption of the agenda
3. Confirmation of the rules of procedure
4. Organization of the work of the Group of Governmental Experts

15:00 – 18:00

5. Focus of work of the Group of Governmental Experts in 2021:
 - 5 (a) An exploration of the potential challenges posed by emerging technologies in the area of lethal autonomous weapons systems to international humanitarian law

Wednesday, 4 August 2021

10:00 – 13:00

- 5 (a) continued
- 5 (b) Characterization of the systems under consideration in order to promote a common understanding on concepts and characteristics relevant to the objectives and purposes of the Convention Further consideration of the human element in the use of lethal force; aspects of human machine interaction in the development, deployment and use of emerging technologies in the area of lethal autonomous weapons systems

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- 5 (b) continued
- 5 (c) Further consideration of the human element in the use of lethal force; aspects of human machine interaction in the development, deployment and use of emerging technologies in the area of lethal autonomous weapons systems



Thursday, 5 August 2021

10:00 – 13:00

5 (c) continued

5 (d) Review of the potential military applications of related technologies in the context of the Group's work

15:00 – 18:00

5 (d) continued

5 (e) Possible options for addressing the humanitarian and international security challenges posed by emerging technologies in the area of lethal autonomous weapons systems in the context of the objectives and purposes of the Convention without prejudicing policy outcomes and taking into account past, present and future proposals

Friday, 6 August 2021

10:00 – 13:00

5 (e) Continued

15:00 – 18:00

6. Preparation of the report for consideration at the Sixth Review Conference of the CCW in accordance with the decision of the High Contracting Parties in 2019 (paragraph 31 CCW/MSP/2019/9).

Monday, 9 August 2021 – Friday, 13 August 2021

10:00 – 13:00

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