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## Abortion Drone first flight to Poland

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On Saturday June 27 th the Abortion drone will fly for the first time packages of abortion pills from Frankfurt an der Oder in Germany to Słubice in Poland. The campaign is a collaboration between Women on Waves; Coccia Basia, a Berlin based abortion support group for Polish women; Feminteka Foundation from Warsaw and the 8 th of March women's rights informal collective "Porozumienie kobiet 8 marca". The Abortion drone will mark the different reality for Polish women to access to safe abortion services compared to other women in Europe. In almost all European countries abortion is legal, only in Poland, Ireland and Malta abortion is

illegal and women's rights are still violated. The drone will start its journey at 11 AM from "Am Winterhafen" in Frankfurt an der Oder and fly to Słubice. There will be opportunity for the press to ask questions after the landing of the abortion drone in Poland. The exact location will be announced on Friday evening. Drones are used to make areal shots and for military purposes. However they can also be used to deliver packages. Both Google and Amazon are also already testing the possibility to deliver packages. So drones can also be used to provide safe abortion pills by uploading the package in Germany, where abortion is legal and delivering it into a border town in Poland where abortion is severely restricted since 1993. The only exception is in cases of rape or incest, when woman's life is in danger, or if there is potential damage to fetus, and even in these cases, abortion is very difficult to obtain. As the Abortion drone weighs less than 5 kg, is not used for any commercial purposes, will stay within the sight of the person flying it and does not fly in controlled airspace, no authorization is required under Polish or German law.

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