



# Smuggling 2.0: the robots will deliver abortion pills to Northern Ireland

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In Northern Ireland abortion is legal only when the woman's life is at risk. In almost all other cases, a medical abortion is a violation of the law, which is very worrying for activists fighting for the rights of women. For this reason, already on may 31 will begin [shipping](#) tablets for abortion from the Netherlands with the help of robots and drones.

This initiative is a collaboration between activists Women on Waves, online medical abortion service Women on Web and social feminist movement ROSA in Northern Ireland. In their opinion, robots will not violate the abortion laws, so as to control their will from the territory of the Netherlands. At the same time they will attract public attention to women who are fighting for a more modern reproductive rights.

Here is what they write Women on Waves:

Robot abortion will show a new legal reality for the women of Northern Ireland who have to rely on new technologies such as telemedicine, unmanned aerial vehicles and robots that use legal loopholes.

For bringing greater attention to the problem and its solution, Women on Waves will be broadcasting delivery tablets via Facebook.

The organization emphasized that abortion was prohibited even in cases of rape, incest and severe abnormalities of the fetus. She doesn't think of women having

abortions, by criminals as well as medical professionals who help them, and wants the government felt the same way.

The abortion laws in Northern Ireland are similar to those, which last week refused the Republic of Ireland referendum last week. Alas, now women in Northern Ireland do have to rely on robots and online consultants who are in Amsterdam.



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