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An 'abortion drone' is set to fly to Poland this week to deliver pills that will allow women to safely terminate their pregnancies.

Around 50,000 underground abortions are believed to take place in Poland each year due to the nation's strict restrictions.

The drone will be sent by Women on Waves, a Netherlands-based non-profit organization which provides medical abortion pills around the world.

Arriving at the Polish town of Slubice on Saturday, the drone aims to drop several packages of pills weighing under 5kg in total. The packets are to be received by women's groups, which will then distribute them to women who need them.

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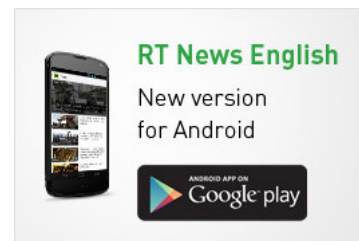
Dr. Rebecca Gomperts, founder and director of Women on Waves, says the drone mission will help women practically, while raising awareness about Europe's unequal abortion laws.

"I think it's extremely important because within Europe there's so much inequality and difference in how women's rights are being respected," Gomperts said, as quoted by The Telegraph.

"We can't stop pointing out the lack of safe



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access to abortion and medical abortion pills. It's a violation of women's rights. We have to make every effort to make sure they get that access," she added.

The drone will fly to the Polish town from Frankfurt, Germany, where abortion is legal.

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Gomperts said Poland's destination because of its abortion laws.

She admits she does not support the government's goal of "no regulations on doing this or any other way."

It is, however, illegal to take the pills if they do not meet criteria for abortion. Imprisonment cannot be imposed on a physician who performs an abortion in violation of the law up to two years in prison.

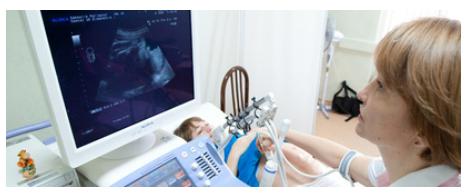
Abortion in Poland has been restricted since 1993. A woman can only abort there if there is a serious threat to her health, in cases of rape or incest, or when the fetus has a serious defect. It is estimated that around 50,000 underground abortions take place each year.

This has led to many women in Poland using websites like Women on Women for medical consultations with licensed doctors before allowing women to buy the pills, mifepristone and misoprostol, are on the World Health Organization's list. They can be taken up to the ninth week of pregnancy and have the same effect as a spontaneous miscarriage.

The drone is being used by Fundacja Pro-Cocia Basia, a Catholic group for Polish women (Fundacja Fundacja Pro-Cocia Basia Foundation), and the informal collective Porozumienie Kobiet 8 Marca (Agreement of March 8 Women) – all of which campaign for the legalization of abortion in Poland.

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Abortions are widely available in most European countries, though certain conditions must be met in Cyprus, Finland, Luxembourg, Portugal, Spain, and the UK.

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Phil Gibbons 2 hours ago  
I see some people would agree that it was up to the SS to decide what to do with Jewish victims. Murdering other people for convenience is what psychopaths do.  
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Anon Wibble 9 hours ago

Oh god, I am soo sick of women moaning about their rights. They've got their silly rights, now they want to be more equal than everyone else.

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Nichol Brummer 9 hours ago

I do hope these women also get somebody to talk to, and counselling. Being pregnant when you don't want, or cannot handle it must be traumatic. Getting an abortion helps, but must also be traumatic for most. It's just a pill, but swallowing it is more than 'just a pill'.

Reply

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Seamon 11 hours ago



Sylwester Woodest

It's her body. She has a right to choose. It is not anybody decision to make just hers. Women must be free that means she decide what is growing inside her body and what isn't more...

How about the child's right to decide whether he/she wants to live or not? Give him for adoption at least. We do whatever we want but we never want to be held accountable for our deeds.... We are worst than the savage animals, at least they take care of their babies...

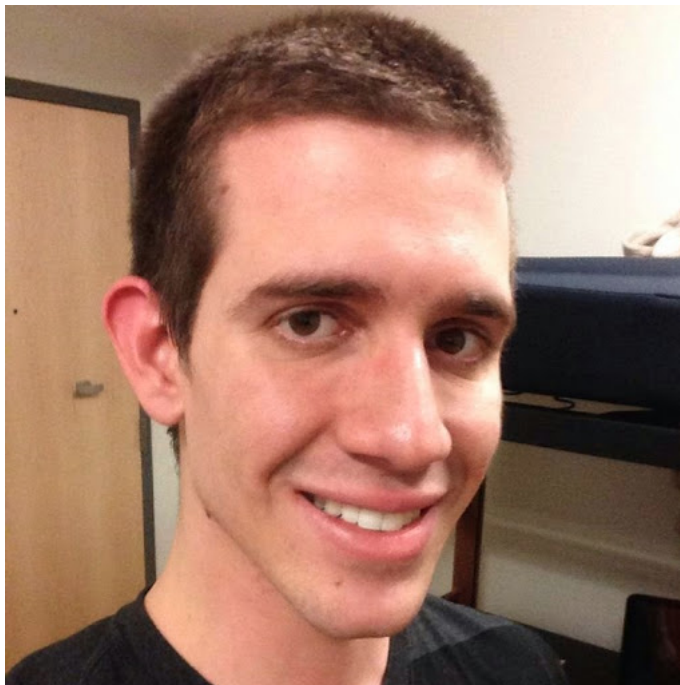
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Diocletian 12 hours ago



Jeffrey Faust

A woman terminating her pregnancy with medication is not like a serial killer terrorizing a person and viciously stabbing them to death. If you think that then you are delusional. You are not a woman, so it is masochistic of you to say that women should be forced to keep the baby. You have no idea what it is like to carry a baby for nine months. I understand that I don't either, which is why I don't tell women what to do with their bodies. I know what you are going to say though. You are going to say something along the lines of "if she doesn't want to get pregnant she should wait until marriage". Well, a woman shouldn't have to wait until marriage to have sex. A lot of guys don't. A lot of women use birth control or have the man use protection, but sometimes when it fails, the woman shouldn't have to carry the baby if she doesn't want to. Do you know how much of a responsibility a kid is? My friend's relative is a drug-addict and kept the baby, and I feel she seriously was not ready to have a kid, because she is neglectful. Also, if a woman is raped, she shouldn't have to carry that monster's baby. You are a guy, so it is easy for you to tell a woman she has to keep the baby, because you cannot be the slightest bit empathetic towards how women feel. Childbirth is painful, and children cost on average a couple hundred thousand dollars to raise to 18. Not to mention dreams are crushed by having a child too soon, because the mother often has a hard time finding a job and finishing school while taking care of a baby. My friend has a job and school and is a single-mother. You are completely indifferent a woman's right to do what she wants with her body, and you are blind.more...

Life is always sacred that is the essence of our civilisation! You have the right name for someone who has a pact with the devil!

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legit 13 hours ago

Government sticking its hand where it doesn't belong again and this time it isn't the US. When people don't have the right to do what they want to their own bodies they become slaves to the government that does have the right to do whatever it wants.

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Sylwester Woodest 16 hours ago



Amir Eslampanah

That's like a serial killer saying.. It's up to my hand to decide whether it wants to thrust this knifedown towards your chest.

Ridiculous. I can tell you, that not only is this murder.. but you are doubly culpable!

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Matthew Rix 17 hours ago  
When will the drones be dropping cyanide pills over the slums and ghettos in America?  
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Darko Bajak 19 hours ago  
They're Polish. They're going to run out in a week. ...  
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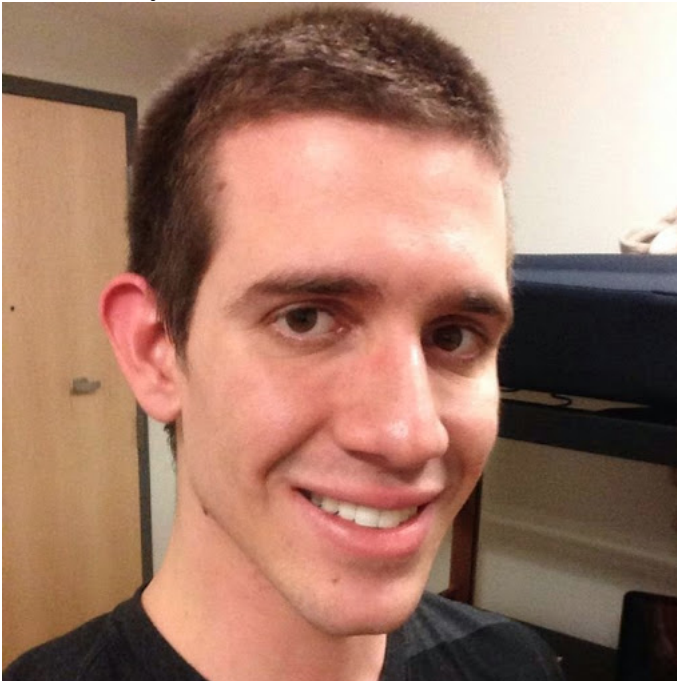


Nova Shpakova 20 hours ago  
More Nazi-eugenics - on its way to Poland, courtesy of Frankfurt Germany.  
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Adam Williams 21 hour ago



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The basic logical argument for abortion is "you don't know what it feels like" against the anti-abortion argument that "an unborn baby has the same rights as any other human".

Obviously excluding medical reasons (in which case the mother should be saved, as nature dictates that a newborn cannot survive without it's mother) one side seems to be subjective whilst the other objective.

I personally cannot understand how on earth it became a choice to kill your own child because you don't "feel up to it".

This coming from a young Father who's had to just grow up and get on with it.

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Nova Shpakova yesterday at 16:49



Lewis Balentine

Seven billion two legged parasites are poluting the earth.  
so does that mean you're volunteering to leave this place? Wow, I agree!  
Turn-off your hose, to stop the flood.

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Amir Eslampanah yesterday at 16:44



Sylwester Woodest

Angelus23 It's up to woman to decide it is her body  
That's like a serial killer saying.. It's up to my hand to decide whether it wants to thrust this knife down towards your chest.

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Lewis Balentine yesterday at 16:28

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Nova Shpakova yesterday at 16:10

Let's send these 'morning after' drones to the wealthy 1%! Yeah that's a super solution.

Reply

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Nova Shpakova yesterday at 16:07



Sylwester Woodest

Angelus23 It's up to woman to decide it is her body

Yes it IS our 'right to decide'.... to decide 'NO' to your d..ick from f...king us!

And what about 'YOUR' role in this 'right to decide'?... ever heard of vasectomy?

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Angelus23 yesterday at 16:00



Sylwester Woodest

Angelus23 It's up to woman to decide it is her body

You do know what a Chemical Abortion is the Mother takes the pill and her unborn child is slowly Dissolved . what type of Human in there right mind thinks that's ok. just think about it... it's not here body she is dissolving its another human person ..

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Sylwester Woodest yesterday at 15:46



Angelus23

Baboo Dingerdoom I do understand it called Murder

Angelus23 It's up to woman to decide it is her body

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Baboo Dingerdoom yesterday at 15:45



Angelus23  
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they will do it and it will be legal

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