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Reaction Paper - Week 4

The letter, Autonomous Weapons: An Open Letter from AI & Robotics, Researchers from Future of Life talks about the imminent danger of making autonomous weapons. The letter addresses the fact that autonomous weapons can allow dictators, terrorists and warlords to mass-produce significant military power to easily commit atrocities such as ethnic cleansing, assassination destabilizing nations, subduing population. In addition, the letter claims that autonomous weapons are a terrible idea and should banned, otherwise if anyone starts creating AI weapons everyone will end up in an AI arms race. In my opinion, I agree with the previous statement because as of right now nuclear weapons make both sides fear mutual destruction, however this is not the case with autonomous weapons. Autonomous weapons can