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Summary of Opponent's Scenario and Ethical Dilemma

Scenario: In the given scenario, the ethical dilemma is whether or not to deploy the Lethal Autonomous Weapon (LAW) system in response to the country's weak military system and the potential threat ahead. While the LAW system offers advantages such as minimizing military casualties and bolstering our defense capabilities, it also raises significant ethical concerns. These concerns encompass the potential harm to innocent individuals, issues of accountability and responsibility, and the potential for increased violence.

Ethical Dilemma:

For the above scenario here arises the ethical dilemma that what should the military officer do?
1. implementing lethal autonomous weapons in our country.
2. refuse to implement lethal autonomous weapons in our country.

Strongest Aspect of the Opponent's Work

Their scenario is about the duty of a military officer . By analyzing the scenario, we found that they have tried to find the exact decision by ethical theories. They made their decision according to "Deontological theories" which is satisfied perfectly.

Weakest Aspect of the Opponent's Work

By analyzing the scenario and their decision, I have realized that they have not analyzed their scenario enough. They refuse to implement the LAW system because of civilians' safety. But refusing to implement it, they also push the civilians' life in danger as well. Because without the LAW system, the terrorist/enemy will break the defense line of the country which is also threatening to the general people's life. The adversary may target innocent civilians or hold them captive in order to further their own personal agenda.

Suggestions/Criticisms to the opponent's decision

Criticisms of opponent's decision:

They have made the decision that there should not be implications for the LAW system. But there will be another option can be chosen by analyzing the fact and with a little improvement with the system,

In their decision they totally refuse to implement the system. There are many zones where the war can happen like border areas or any area where there lived no civilians. In those areas they could implement the autonomous system to attack the enemy which can be an effective option.

The system can decrease military fatalities and has improved combat operations' efficiency and effectiveness. It saves many military lives by which they can help civilians to hide them in a safe place from war areas.

Another thing they have mentioned is that without implementing it, the country's defense line will be broken which is also a great threat to civilians. The adversary may target innocent civilians or hold them hostage in order to further their own personal agenda. This is also a serious threat to their lives.

In their scenario, they have mentioned that the LAW system has demonstrated superior accuracy and efficiency in eliminating enemy combatants. So using these efficiency and a little more improvement that if they can identify the targets with weapons, then they will kill them.

They have made a decision using 'Kant's theory' but with a little more analysis they can apply the 'Mills' Utilitarianism theory'.

Suggestion:

My suggestion is that they could analyze the scenario more. They can implement the system to save countless lives of military and civilians as without implication the country's defense line will be broken. They can implement the system with a little train to the bots. They can train them to identify the targets with weapons to target them as enemies. They can implement the system at border areas where there lived no civilians.