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Delegations from around the world gathered in New York City for the MMUN conference of March 2026. This week, students from the Disarmament and International Security Committee (DISEC) discussed the matter of Lethal Autonomous Weapons Systems (LAWS), which can detect and engage targets without human intervention. This includes machines such as torpedoes, automated missile systems, and the more recent AI-powered drones and robots. This committee was especially interesting, as there were many different and opposing stances on this issue. It seemed that the larger nations were more supportive of LAWS than the smaller ones.

Delegate Ilan Moss-Sheth of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea expressed that his country supports LAWS and will continue purchasing these systems from China. On the other hand, Delegate Arabella Perazzoli of the Republic of the Philippines said that her country does not wish to participate in any activities pertaining to LAWS.
Some nations weren't as one-sided. Annie Edwards, the delegate from the Islamic Republic of Iran, stated that they are in danger from LAWS, as these weapons could be used against them in

Iran's current war with the US. However, they do enthusiastically support the use of LAWS in their own military.

We were also able to observe the topics the delegates discussed during informal consultations. These included the (positive) Potential of LAWS, Human Intervention, The Danger of LAWS, and Definition and Regulation of LAWS.

Overall, the committee had a good balance of affirmation and negation. This ensured less biased decisions when drafting the resolution.

LAWS may be something our world is not ready for. Still, the members of DISEC, along with future leaders and countries, will handle it with calm focus and consideration.