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# Northern Irish women protesting against anti-abortion laws 'take illegal termination pills' in front of police

Protest action saw pills delivered by robots remotely controlled from the Netherlands to avoid laws on assisting abortion

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Belfast's main court buildings.

Officers seized the pills and attempted to remove one woman who openly took a tablet which was delivered to protestors by a tiny robot controlled from the Netherlands to circumvent the country's laws.



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There is a major police presence and counter protests from pro-life campaigners at the event, launched in the wake of the historic referendum in the Republic of Ireland in which the country voted to allow abortion in early pregnancy.

Northern Ireland is the last part of the UK where abortion is illegal, unless there are exceptional

circumstances.

As Police Service of Northern Ireland officers led the woman who openly took a tablet away from the centre of the event, a tense standoff ensued, with many campaigners gathering around her, insisting that she should not be arrested.



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