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We all have heard about drones being used for package deliveries, from Amazon and even Google and this make sense really, delivery by air makes things simple. Well now the 'Women on Waves' organization is set to fly their drone over the German/Polish boarder into Poland and drop of WHO approved abortion pills to Polish women. Polish abortion laws are more restrictive than many other countries including Germany so the group things this will work well.

According to Women on Waves as the drone is less than 5kg and as the drone will be in full view of the operator there is no need for flight authorization into Poland. Basically the operator will stand on there side of the boarder and the Polish women on the other, the drone will cross over and hey presto, that's the transaction done.

Director of Women on Waves Rebecca Gomperts spoke previously about the project saying:

"We are exploring the possibility of delivering the medicines with drones over borders," "Initially it will be a very small drone, not a large one like the ones DHL, Amazon and Google are using. We aren't there yet,"

Gomperts also noted:

"We're very interested in the new developments around drones," "In a sense it's a campaign to call attention to the reality for women in Poland. But there's a future for it as a delivery model. We might do it in Ireland."

So sometime in the near future we may well see these drones crossing over the Northern Ireland boarder into the Republic, whatever your views on abortion this is certainly an interesting test case.

The flight into Poland will start its journey at 11 AM from "Am Winterhafen" in Frankfurt an der Oder and fly to Słubice.



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