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Key Words: DISEC

Drone Surveillance and Privacy

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Word	Meaning (Oxford Learner's Dictionaries)	My note
drone	a small flying device, controlled from the ground and used for taking photographs or delivering goods	
surveillance	the act of carefully watching a person suspected of a crime or a place where a crime may be committed	
biometric	using measurements of human features, such as fingers or eyes, in order to identify people	
facial recognition	technology that allows a computer to identify a person by their face	
metadata	information that describes other information in order to help you understand or use it	
proportionality	the principle that an action, a punishment, etc. should not be more severe than is necessary	
privacy	the state of being alone and not watched or interrupted by other people	
airspace	the part of the sky where planes fly, usually the part above a particular country that is legally controlled by that country	
reconnaissance	the activity of getting information about an area for military purposes, using soldiers, planes, etc.	
autonomous	that has the technology to drive itself without a person in control	
export	the selling and transporting of goods to another country	
geofence	to draw a virtual line around a physical area so that a signal can be sent to a mobile electronic device such as a phone inside this line or when this line is crossed	
data	facts or information, especially when examined and used to find out things or to make decisions	

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