

English 1130

Chapter 7 – Argument

Homework

1. Carefully read pages 197-206.
2. Refer to Robert Sparrow's "Predators or Plowshares?" (pages 197-202). Carefully review paragraphs 8-14 and choose one of the following subsets of reasons:
 - Paragraph 9, paraphrased – Robotic technology will make it possible to deploy unmanned weapons for longer periods and at a greater tempo of operations so as to conduct more dangerous missions than manned systems.
 - Paragraphs 11-12, paraphrased – Robotic systems multiply the need for further defense systems that aim to destroy or protect them, escalating the logic that demands further development.
 - Paragraph 13, paraphrased – The logic of development increasingly places decision-making in the control of robotic machines, promoting chances for computer error and for a competitive race in advancement among military nations.
3. Review Robert Sparrow's main claim and then reread the subset of reason you have chosen.
4. Sketch out a graphic overview comparable to the one presented in Figure 7.2 (page 205). Explain the various ways Sparrow uses sources to support his argument.