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Liechtenstein welcomes the distinguished delegation of Switzerland and wishes to thank for the valuable information provided in the introductory statement and in the national report.

Liechtenstein welcomes that human rights lie at the heart of the political system of Switzerland. Switzerland is a party to most international and regional human rights instruments and the Swiss legal order explicitly protects the human rights and fundamental freedoms of every individual in the country. Following its second UPR, Switzerland ratified more human rights treaties in response to recommendations.

Liechtenstein welcomes that Switzerland has accepted the recommendations made in the last “Universal Periodic Review” to create an independent human rights institution. Furthermore, Liechtenstein welcomes the Swiss draft bill to establish a national human rights institution in conformity with the Paris Principles. Liechtenstein recommends that Switzerland establish as soon as possible an independent national human rights institution with a broad human rights protection mandate and adequate human and financial resources, in conformity with the Paris Principles.