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Universal Periodic Review of the Russian Federation

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Intervention by H.E. Ambassador Peter Matt Permanent Representative of Liechtenstein

Liechtenstein welcomes the distinguished delegation of the Russian Federation and is thankful for the valuable information provided in the introductory statement and in the national report.

Liechtenstein welcomes that the Russian Federation addresses torture, violence or other cruel or humiliating treatment or punishment in its national legislation. Liechtenstein renews its recommendation that the Russian Federation accede to the Optional Protocol to the United Nations Convention against Torture and other Forms of Cruel, Inhuman or Degrading Treatment or Punishment and that it establish the National Preventive Mechanisms as required under that Protocol.

Liechtenstein takes note of the Russian Federation's continued observation of its moratorium on the use of the death penalty as a form of criminal punishment. Liechtenstein recommends that the Russian Federation give due consideration to the legal abolition of the death penalty. Liechtenstein further recommends that the Russian Federation ratify the Second Optional Protocol to the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights, aiming at the abolition of the death penalty.

Liechtenstein recommends that the Russian Federation ratify the Rome Statute of the International Criminal Court in its 2010 version, including the Kampala amendments on the crime of aggression, and review its national legislation in order to ensure full alignment with the Statute.