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Intervention by Mr. Daniel Batliner, Second Secretary,

Permanent Mission of the Principality of Liechtenstein

Thank you, Madame Vice-President,

We thank the High Commissioner and the Group of Eminent International and Regional Experts for its report on the human rights situation in Yemen.

We welcome that the report addresses the continued violations by all parties to the conflict in Yemen with the attention and the urgency it deserves.

We are concerned about the on-going violations and abuses of human rights and violations of international humanitarian law in Yemen and strongly condemn all forms of attacks and violations against civilians, in particular the violence against children, arbitrary killing, torture and ill-treatment, as well as the violation of fundamental freedoms and gender-based violence.

Therefore, we agree with the Experts recommendation that all parties to the conflict immediately have to cease all acts committed against civilians in violations of applicable international human rights and international humanitarian law and that they put an end to any measures that exacerbate the humanitarian crisis, to enforced disappearances and arbitrary detentions. Moreover we urge all parties to the conflict to ensure that all forms of gender-based violence immediately come to an end and that all parties need to uphold and respect the right to life and physical integrity, as well as the right to freedom.

We furthermore stress the importance of ensuring accountability for all the violations that have been committed in the course of the conflict in Yemen, including finding ways to redress victims as well as holding perpetrators accountable for their crimes. Having said that, we would like to express our support for the renewal of the mandate of the Group of Eminent Experts.

We thank you.