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### **Interactive Dialogue with the Group of Eminent Experts on Yemen**

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Intervention by H.E. Ambassador Kurt Jäger,  
Permanent Representative of the Principality of Liechtenstein

Thank you, Madam President,

Liechtenstein thanks the Group of Eminent Experts on Yemen for the presentation of its report and for its indispensable work.

We reiterate our strong concern over the dire human rights and humanitarian situation in Yemen. We especially want to highlight the precarious situation of children in Yemen, many of who face malnutrition and are in urgent need for humanitarian assistance.

We call on all parties to the conflict to respect their obligations under international humanitarian law, including their obligation to respect the principles of distinction, which prohibit the targeting of civilians and civilian objects and infrastructure, as well as the principles of proportionality and precautions in attack. Any attack resulting in the death of civilians and destruction of civilian infrastructure needs to be meaningfully investigated.

Truth and accountability for the human rights violations and abuses committed by all parties to the conflict are indispensable for the establishment of peace and security in the country. The Group of Eminent Experts on Yemen conducts vital work in this regard, and, with the expansion of its mandate last year, has the ability to substantially contribute to truth and accountability processes. It is therefore unacceptable that the GEE is not provided with sufficient financial, material and human resources to sufficiently carry out its mandate. In this respect, we would also welcome a multi-year mandate for the GEE as one of the steps to address this situation.

I thank you.