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Intervention by H.E. Ambassador Kurt Jäger Permanent Representative of Liechtenstein Thank you, Mister President

We thank the High Commissioner for his oral report.

Liechtenstein remains deeply concerned about the continuing reports of systematic and serious violations of international humanitarian law by the Russian armed forces, including attacks on medical and educational facilities which are a violation of the right to health and the right to education of millions of Ukrainians.

Equally worrying are reports of torture, ill-treatment and summary executions of prisoners of war. We call on all parties to the conflict to respect and ensure respect for international human rights law and international humanitarian law.

Every State has an obligation to investigate potentially unlawful deaths. This obligation does not cease to exist in situations of armed conflict. On the contrary, after an attack, there is an obligation to search for the missing and the dead and to identify the deceased. The recording of casualties is crucial to ensure that the human rights of those deceased and their relatives and loved ones are respected, as well as for future accountability purposes.

Liechtenstein condemns in the strongest possible terms the threat of the use of nuclear weapons. Such threats are unacceptable at any time, by anyone.

To conclude, I would like to reiterate Liechtenstein's solidarity with Ukraine and its people.

I thank you.