

STÄNDIGE MISSION DES FÜRSTENTUMS LIECHTENSTEIN **MISSION PERMANENTE** DE LA PRINCIPAUTÉ DE LIECHTENSTEIN

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Intervention by the delegation of Liechtenstein

Liechtenstein welcomes the distinguished delegation of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and wishes to thank for the valuable information provided in the introductory statement and in the national report.

Liechtenstein welcomes the measures taken by the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland to promote positive parenting and advocate alternative forms of discipline, including the publication of information booklets. However, Liechtenstein recommends that the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, in all devolved administrations, overseas territories and Crown dependencies, prohibit all corporal punishment in the family, including through the repeal of all legal defenses, such as "reasonable chastisement" and recommends to ensure that corporal punishment is explicitly prohibited in all schools and educational institutions and all other institutions and forms of alternative care. Liechtenstein also recommends that the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, in order to further strengthen the fulfilment of children's rights, ratify the Optional Protocol to the Convention on the Rights of the Child on a communications procedure.

Online services and online communication are important tools of political participation and we note the measures taken by the United Kingdome of Great Britain and Northern Ireland to reform privacy and surveillance laws. Liechtenstein **recommends bringing all legislation concerning communication surveillance in line with international human rights standards and especially recommends that all communications surveillance requires a test of necessity and proportionality.**