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Intervention by the delegation of Liechtenstein

Liechtenstein welcomes the distinguished delegation of Brazil and wishes to thank for the valuable information provided in the introductory statement and in the national report.

Liechtenstein welcomes the adoption of the Act No. 13.010 [the "Boy Bernardo Act"], which prohibits corporal punishment in all settings. However, Liechtenstein is concerned about reports that the law is not effectively enforced and that corporal punishment remains widely practiced and tolerated as a method of disciplining children. Liechtenstein **recommends that Brazil strengthen its efforts to enforce the "Boy Bernardo Act" and promote positive, non-violent and participatory forms of child-rearing and discipline.**

Liechtenstein welcomes Brazil's efforts to eradicate child labour and welcomes the overall reduction in the child labor rate. However, Liechtenstein remains deeply concerned about the high prevalence of child labor in the informal and agricultural sectors, including slavery-like conditions on farms. Liechtenstein recommends that Brazil strengthen programmes to address child labor, in particular through inspection, investigation, and preventative measures such as improving socioeconomic conditions for children and ensuring access to education. Liechtenstein also recommends that Brazil, 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.

Moreover, Liechtenstein acknowledges Brazil's commitment to international justice. In this regard, Liechtenstein recommends that Brazil ratify the Kampala amendments to the Rome Statute with a view to contributing to the activation of the jurisdiction of the International Criminal Court over the crime of aggression in 2017.