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### **Interactive Dialogue with the Independent International Commission of Inquiry on the Syrian Arab Republic**

**6 July 2021**

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

Thank you, Madam President,

Liechtenstein thanks the Independent International Commission of Inquiry on the Syrian Arab Republic for its oral update and for its indispensable work.

After a decade of conflict Liechtenstein remains concerned about horrific number of human rights violations that have been and continue to be committed by the Syrian authorities and other parties to the conflict. Such violations include killings, arbitrary detention, torture, sexual violence and mass forced displacement of so many. Accountability for these crimes needs to be a priority and for this reason we reiterate or call on the Security Council to refer the situation to the International Criminal Court.

Liechtenstein commends the efforts of the Commission of Inquiry, the International, Impartial and Independent Mechanism for Syria as well as the important work carried out

by civil society organisations and human rights defenders in seeking accountability for the horrific crimes committed in Syria. In this regard we want to highlight the importance of casualty recording, including in providing essential evidence for future accountability and transitional justice processes.

Liechtenstein calls on the Syrian authorities to meaningfully and constrictively engage in peace processes and to cooperate with all relevant United Nations mandates. Only this way, sustainable peace is achievable and long needed justice can be served to the victims and survivors.

I thank you.