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## Statement at the 55<sup>th</sup> Session of the Human Rights Council

## Agenda item 3: Interactive Dialogue with the Special Rapporteur on Privacy

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Mr. Daniel Batliner

Permanent Mission of the Principality of Liechtenstein

Thank you, Mister President,

We thank the Special Rapporteur for the presentation of her insightful report which offers a valuable cross-regional perspective on legislation and practices with regard to the right to privacy and data protection.

As a member of the core group that presents the resolution for the extension of the mandate of the Special Rapporteur at this session, Liechtenstein attaches great importance to the promotion and protection of the right to privacy.

We echo concerns regarding the potential adverse effects of technological advancements, particularly for vulnerable groups.

We therefore emphasize the significance of human rights-based effective protection systems and accessible remedies, accompanied by a robust legal framework to uphold the right to privacy. We see international collaboration and harmonization of laws as an important way to address emerging challenges cohesively. The report presented by the Special Rapporteur today gives valuable guidance as to in what areas and how the international standards can be evolved and developed.

Madam Special Rapporteur,

What are the avenues and possible new intergovernmental initiatives that can strengthen the right to privacy in the digital age?

I thank you, Mister President.