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Thank you, Mister President,

We thank the Special Rapporteur for presenting her report and for her dedicated service throughout the tenure of her mandate.

Liechtenstein is alarmed by the report's findings. Migrant, forcibly displaced and stateless children face significantly increased risks of trafficking, especially also in the context to climate-related disasters. Children are among the most vulnerable, and their protection must be guided by the principles of the best interests of the child and non-discrimination.

The gendered dimensions of this crisis are particularly concerning. As the report highlights, a child's gender significantly shapes their migration experience and the risks they face. While girls remain highly vulnerable to trafficking for sexual exploitation, domestic work, or forced marriage, the report notes that boys are increasingly being trafficked for forced labour, criminal activity, or recruited by armed groups.

The perpetrators of these crimes must be held to account. Impunity cannot prevail.

Mister President,

Through the FAST Initiative, Liechtenstein, UNDP and other partners have worked extensively in the past years on the involvement of the financial sector in preventing, detecting and investigating human trafficking and modern slavery. The initiative furthermore offers guidance on how to empower victims and survivors through access to financial services, who are often denied. Madam Special Rapporteur, how can financial institutions be further involved in the prevention and resolution of cases of trafficking?

I thank you, Mister President.