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

Thank you, Madam President,

Liechtenstein thanks the *Independent Fact-Finding Mission on Libya* for the presentation of its first report.

We regret that the Mission's secretariat only became fully functional as of June 2021, which did not allow the Mission to submit a comprehensive report on the human rights situation in Libya earlier.

It is of crucial importance to extend the Mission's mandate for a further year to ensure a comprehensive human rights investigation which constitutes an effective tool to foster accountability, deter further violations and promote long-term peace and security.

We thank the Libyan authorities for their cooperation with the Mission. It is important that the recommendations made in the report are fully implemented and that further

investigations are appropriately facilitated by the Libyan authorities, including by granting access to all places and persons of interest.

Madam President,

In the report, Libya is called the “theatre of quasi-uninterrupted armed conflicts”. It is of paramount importance that the Mission receives additional time and resources to continue its work to identify individuals and groups, both Libyan and foreign actors, who may bear responsibilities for the violations and abuses under investigation, and thus ensure justice for victims.

I would like to conclude by expressing Liechtenstein’s full support for the mandate and the work of the *Fact-Finding Mission*.

I thank you.