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Intervention by H.E. Ambassador Peter Matt
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Liechtenstein welcomes the distinguished delegation of Qatar. We commend Qatar for having undertaken important human rights reforms and having acceded to the ICCPR and the ICESCR since its last UPR. We also appreciate the reforms adopted to its “kafalah” sponsorship system.

In a constructive spirit, Liechtenstein recommends that Qatar

1. Accede to the Rome Statute of the International Criminal Court including the Kampala amendments to the Rome Statute and implement it into national law;
2. Establish an official moratorium on executions and ratify the Second Optional Protocol to the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights, aiming at the abolition of the death penalty;
3. Ensure the full implementation of the Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women into domestic law, withdraw its reservations to articles 2, 9, 15, as well as 16, and furthermore ratify the Optional Protocol;
4. Fully ensure that the recent labour laws, namely Laws 1 and 21 of 2015, Laws 13 and 15 of 2017 and Laws 13 and 17 of 2018, are applied to all domestic and migrant workers granting fair minimum wages, limited working hours, accurate protection or worker's rights, and the freedom of changing and quitting jobs and leaving the country.