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Independent Expert on Sexual Orientation and Gender Identity

Intervention by Claudio Nardi, First Secretary,

Permanent Mission of the Principality of Liechtenstein

Mr. President,

We commend the Independent Expert on Sexual Orientation and Gender Identity for his outstanding presentation and welcome his report. Let me once again re-iterate Liechtenstein's full support for his mandate.

Throughout the world we are confronted with violence and discrimination on the basis of sexual orientation and gender identity, even though society can only thrive when fundamental rights and freedoms apply to everybody without discrimination of any kind. Only by doing so we can make sure that no one is left behind – a commitment we all agreed to in the Agenda 2030. It is of utmost importance that all states ensure improved protection from violence on the basis of sexual orientation and gender identity.