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H.E. Ambassador Frank Büchel

Permanent Representative of the Principality of Liechtenstein

Thank you, Mister President,

Liechtenstein thanks the Fact-Finding Mission on Sudan for its report.

We are deeply alarmed by the findings of serious violations of international human rights and humanitarian law, some of which may constitute war crimes and crimes against humanity, in the context of the ongoing, widespread, and large-scale hostilities between the Sudanese Armed Forces, the Rapid Support Forces, their allied forces, and other armed groups.

We strongly condemn sexual and gender-based violence, in particular rape and gang rape, that is widespread in the context of the conflict and continues to occur on a large scale across Sudan. We are furthermore concerned by the grave violations against children, including recruitment, killing, forced displacement, torture and other violations.

Liechtenstein stresses the need to address the root causes of the current but also past conflicts and the obligation to enforce accountability for mass atrocities. In addition, it is important to address the scale of violations and their impact on individuals and communities through a genuine truth-seeking process.

Mr. President,

The Fact-finding Mission mentions in the report the crucial role of the International Criminal Court, particularly in light of the decades of prevailing impunity. We would be interested in hearing more about the cooperation between the Mission and the Court and how the Court could be best used to achieve justice and ensure accountability.

I thank you.