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Mr. President,

Allow me to welcome the distinguished delegation of Liechtenstein to the Universal Periodic Review.

Brazil commends Liechtenstein for the efforts undertaken to implement the recommendations of the previous cycle of the UPR. We took note of the new steps to strengthen legal and institutional framework related to discrimination and racism and the entry in force of the Law on the Free Movement of Persons.

Gender equality is, however, still a concern in Liechtenstein. Brazil recommends that the Government of Liechtenstein develop a comprehensive strategy to eliminate gender stereotypes and promote gender equality.

We are also concerned with the asylum seekers that are held in detention solely on the basis of illegal entry and with the difficulties they face to have access to legal aid. Brazil recommends the reduction of the permissible length of administrative detention of asylum seekers, especially children.

Finally, the Brazilian delegation would like to ask the Government of Liechtenstein whether it intends to take further actions towards the advancement of the rights of the LGBT.

I thank you Mr. President.