

Universal Periodic Review of Burkina Faso

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Intervention by the delegation of Liechtenstein

Liechtenstein welcomes the distinguished delegation of Burkina Faso and wishes to thank for the valuable information provided in the introductory statement and in the national report.

Stakeholders report that the new draft Code on Child Protection does not prohibit corporal punishment at home. Furthermore the CRC noted with concern in 2010 that in spite of existing laws corporal punishment continued to be widely practiced in alternative care settings and in situations of employment. Therefore, Liechtenstein **recommends that Burkina Faso explicitly prohibit corporal punishment in all settings, including the home and all care settings.** In addition, Liechtenstein **recommends that Burkina Faso ensure the implementation of laws against corporal punishment by encouraging the report of cases and by providing the means for effective investigation and prosecution of perpetrators.**

We noted the concerns expressed by CEDAW in 2010 about the difficulties women still face regarding their access to justice and bringing cases of discrimination before the courts. Liechtenstein **recommends that Burkina Faso facilitate women's access to justice by providing them with information on their rights, on the available legal remedies against discrimination and on the way to use these.**

Finally Liechtenstein **recommends that Burkina Faso ratify the Kampala amendments to the Rome Statute, if possible with a view to contributing to the activation of the jurisdiction of the ICC over the crime of aggression at the beginning of 2017.**