

Universal Periodic Review of Viet Nam

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Intervention by the delegation of Liechtenstein

Liechtenstein welcomes the distinguished delegation of Viet Nam and thanks for the valuable information provided in the introductory statement and as in the national report.

Liechtenstein welcomes Viet Nam's advancements in implementing gender equality in its domestic legislation. However, Liechtenstein notes the concerns expressed by the Committee of the Right of the Child (CRC) at the discrimination against girls, resulting in their dropping out of school, marrying early and aborting female foetuses. Also, Liechtenstein is concerned by the findings of the United Nations Country Team (UNCT) regarding the discrimination of women as to the exercise of their rights and the persistently high rate of physical, sexual and psychological violence against women. We therefore **recommend Viet Nam to significantly increase efforts to raise awareness among its population for gender equality and the non-discrimination of women and girls.**

Finally, Liechtenstein **recommends that Viet Nam accede to the Rome Statute as amended at the Review Conference in Kampala in 2010 and align its national legislation with all obligations under the Rome Statute.**