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Liechtenstein welcomes the distinguished delegation of Slovakia and wishes to thank for the valuable information provided in the introductory statement and in the national report. Liechtenstein welcomes that human rights lie at the heart of the political system and political action of Slovakia. Liechtenstein welcomes that Slovakia is a party to most international and regional human rights instruments.

Liechtenstein welcomes the measures taken to prevent the placement of children in special schools on the basis of their social background, and to provide access to preschool education to Roma children. At the same time Liechtenstein is concerned about reports of discrimination and segregation affecting Roma children in the education system. Liechtenstein recommends that Slovakia take all necessary measures to address the root causes of discrimination and segregation of Roma children in the education system.