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**Universal Periodic Review of Iraq**

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Intervention by Mr. Daniel Batliner, Second Secretary,

Permanent Mission of the Principality of Liechtenstein

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

In a constructive spirit, Liechtenstein recommends that Iraq

1. Ratify the Rome Statute of the International Criminal Court with its amendments and fully implement them into national law;

2. Conduct prompt, independent and effective investigations into the excessive use of force against protesters resulting in the death of more than 250 people and many more injured in the recent demonstrations, and bring perpetrators to justice.

3. Ensure full accountability and due process for grave human rights violations.
4. Immediately establish an official moratorium on executions and commute all death sentences with a view to abolishing the death penalty;
5. Adopt the already developed draft law on domestic violence to criminalize all forms of violence against women, including forced intimate relationships, crimes of honor, kidnapping and female genital mutilation.

We wish Iraq a successful review. We thank you.