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

Liechtenstein welcomes the initiatives by France to improve the identification and monitoring of children at risk of all forms of violence. Liechtenstein welcomes that corporal punishment is prohibited in schools and in the criminal system, although it is still not clearly and explicitly forbidden in other settings. Liechtenstein recommends that France explicitly prohibit corporal punishment in all settings, including in the family and in care settings.

Liechtenstein welcomes France's efforts to combat discriminatory gender stereotypes and recommends that France continue to combat all forms of discrimination against women and girls belonging to racial, ethnic, national and religious minorities, including those living in sensitive urban areas.

Online services and online communication are important tools of political participation. Liechtenstein recommends that France bring all legislation concerning communication surveillance in line with international human rights standards and also recommends that all communications surveillance require a test of legality, proportionality and necessity.

Liechtenstein welcomes the decision made in December 2017 to activate the International Criminal Court's jurisdiction over the crime of aggression. Liechtenstein recommends that France ratify the Kampala amendments on the crime of aggression as soon as possible with a view to contributing to individual criminal accountability for the illegal use of force in line with the purposes and principles of the Charter of the United Nations.