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H.E. Ambassador Kurt Jäger

Permanent Representative of the Principality of Liechtenstein

Thank you, Mister President,

Liechtenstein would like to thank the *International Commission of Human Rights Experts on Ethiopia* for their oral briefing.

We continue to be concerned about the ongoing conflict in the Tigray region of Ethiopia as well as its wider impacts on other regions. The unstable political and security situation in the country creates an enabling environment for gross human rights violations.

Numerous cases of serious and wide-scale human rights violations and abuses have been reported, including enforced disappearances, forced displacements, sexual violence, torture, as well as arbitrary and mass killings. We strongly condemn any such acts.

The lack of information about and the hindrance of access to immediate crisis situations within the conflict area further aggravate the humanitarian situation. The withholding of humanitarian assistance and services further magnifies the suffering of civilians.

We call on all parties to the conflict to hold thorough and impartial investigations into all allegations of serious violations and abuses of international human rights law and international humanitarian law, in particular of recent killings in Western Ethiopia as reported by the High Commissioner for Human Rights, and to enable humanitarian access to the people in need.

I thank you, Mister President.