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Ms. Reem Alsalem

Special Rapporteur on Violence against  
Women, its Causes and Consequences

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Madam Special Rapporteur,

I have the honor to refer to your letter dated 3 November 2021 seeking our support in accelerating efforts to prevent gender-related killings of women and requesting information on the domestic situation of the Principality of Liechtenstein. We welcome your efforts to analyze cases involving the killings of women, from a human rights perspective, in order to determine shortcomings within national laws and policies, including their lack of implementation, and to undertake preventive measures.

It's my pleasure to inform you that the Council of Europe Convention on preventing and combating violence against women and domestic violence, better known as the Istanbul Convention, has entered into force in Liechtenstein on 1 October 2021. In the course of the implementation, we have created an inter-ministerial working group that will discuss measures leading to an effective implementation of the Convention.

With regard to the survey, on 18 November 2019, Liechtenstein has sent a letter to your predecessor submitting information on the period of 2016-2019. Therefore, I would like to hereby submit Liechtenstein's contribution to your survey for the reporting period 2020-2021.

In September 2020, there has been one femicide as part of an "enhanced suicide" where a man has strangled his wife before he killed himself. In March 2021, a man has used a pillow which he pressed on his wife's face taking the risk that she would suffocate. The man was subsequently charged with attempted murder.

Given the very low number of killings in general, Liechtenstein has not set up national femicide watch. However, there is a national institution for victims or survivors of violence against women that provides shelter as well as legal and mental support.

Please find the data below provided in the requested table format:

Period	Total number of intentional killings /homicides	Total number of women/men killed by intimate partners	Total number of women/men killed by a family member	Other gender-related killings of women/men
2020-2021 <sup>1</sup>	1	1	0	0

In conclusion, I would like to assure you of our highest consideration as well as our continued support for your work and remain at your disposal for any questions in regard to the information provided.



H.E. Ambassador Kurt Jäger

Permanent Representative of the Principality of Liechtenstein

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<sup>1</sup> until 15 November 2021