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

Liechtenstein is concerned at the widespread impunity for human rights violations in Darfur. Liechtenstein would therefore like to recall that, during the first cycle of the Universal Periodic Review, Sudan accepted a recommendation to “ensure that those suspected of being responsible for crimes under international law in Darfur are investigated and prosecuted before independent and impartial courts.”<sup>1</sup> Nevertheless, OHCHR found that Sudan’s criminal justice system failed to have a meaningful impact in combatting impunity and strengthening accountability in Darfur.<sup>2</sup> UNAMID and OHCHR also found that perpetrators within government security and armed forces and pro-government paramilitary accused of human rights violations were rarely brought to justice.<sup>3</sup> Liechtenstein therefore **recommends that Sudan ensure that those suspected of being responsible for crimes under international law in Darfur – particularly those within government security and armed forces – are investigated and prosecuted before independent and impartial courts, without resort to the death penalty.**

Liechtenstein also regrets Sudan’s continued non-cooperation with the International Criminal Court, in defiance of Security Council Resolution 1593 (2005), and its rejection of recommendations to cooperate with the Court during the first cycle of the UPR. Compliance with a Chapter VII resolution of the Security Council is an obligation under international law. Liechtenstein **recommends that Sudan comply with Security Council resolution 1593 (2005) and fully cooperate with the International Criminal Court.**

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<sup>1</sup> A/HRC/18/16/Add.1, paragraph 26.

<sup>2</sup> Report of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights on Impunity and Accountability in Darfur for 2014, (August 2015), paragraph 71.

<sup>3</sup> UNAMID and OHCHR Report on the Human Rights Situation in Darfur in 2013, paragraph 39.