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Sixth periodical report presented to the Secretary General of the Council of Europe in accordance with Article 15 of the Charter

LIECHTENSTEIN





STÄNDIGE VERTRETUNG DES FÜRSTENTUMS LIECHTENSTEIN BEIM EUROPARAT

Mr. Thorbjørn Jagland Secretary General Council of Europe F-67075 Strasbourg Cedex

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6th periodical report of Liechtenstein under the European Charter of Regional or Minority Languages

Dear Secretary General,

In accordance with Article 15 of the European Charter for Regional or Minority Languages and following the invitation sent on 9 January 2014 by Mr. Thorsten Afflerbach, Head of the Secretariat of the European Charter for Regional or Minority Languages, to submit the 6th periodical report of Liechtenstein by 1 March 2014, we have the honour to inform you as follows:

The Government of the Principality of Liechtenstein continues to attach particular attention to the European Charter for Regional or Minority Languages and its application as an essential tool of the Council of Europe in its efforts to preserve and strengthen Europe's cultural heritage. By ratifying the Charter the Principality of Liechtenstein contributed to the entering into force of this instrument. By nominating national experts for election on the Committee of Experts it strives to help sustaining the valuable monitoring mechanism established under the Charter to promote its implementation for the benefit of endangered languages throughout the European continent.

As to the application of the Charter in Liechtenstein, we would like to state that the declaration contained in the instrument of ratification, deposited on 18 November 1997,

continues to reflect the situation in Liechtenstein, that there are no regional or minority languages as defined in Article 1 of the Charter in the territory of the Principality of Liechtenstein.

Nevertheless, the Government of the Principality of Liechtenstein will remain committed to the promotion of the aims of the Charter.

Sincerely yours,

Ambassador

Cc: Mr. Thorsten Afflerbach, Head of the Secretariat of the European Charter for Regional or Minority Languages