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EUROPEAN CHARTER FOR REGIONAL OR MINORITY LANGUAGES

**Third Periodical Report
presented to the Secretary General of the Council of Europe
in accordance with Article 15 of the Charter**

LIECHTENSTEIN



REPRÉSENTATION PERMANENTE DE LA PRINCIPAUTÉ DE LIECHTENSTEIN AUPRÈS
DU CONSEIL DE L'EUROPE
STÄNDIGE VERTRETUNG DES FÜRSTENTUMS LIECHTENSTEIN BEIM EUROPARAT

Mr. Terry DAVIS
Secretary General
Council of Europe
Strasbourg

Vaduz, 21 February 2005

**3rd periodical report of Liechtenstein under the European Charter for
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 by Director Philipp Blair to submit the 3rd periodical report of Liechtenstein by March 2005, 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. Through its ratification of the Charter the Principality of Liechtenstein could contribute to bring this instrument into existence. By nominating national experts for election on the Committee of Experts it strives to help sustain 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, as has also been reflected by the voluntary contributions granted to activities of the Council of Europe in this field.

Sincerely yours,



Daniel Ospelt
Ambassador

cc:
Mr Philip Blair
Director
Directorate of Co-operation for
Local and Regional Democracy