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Princely House of Liechtenstein Strengthens Its Long-Term Orientation

15 August 2026 – Through an amendment to its House Law, the Princely House of Liechtenstein is strengthening its long-term orientation. The proposed amendment was adopted with the required two-thirds majority of all family members entitled to vote.

Under the revised House Law, all female descendants of the Princely House will be granted the same participation rights in matters governed by the House Law as male descendants. In addition, succession to the Throne will change from male-preference primogeniture to absolute primogeniture. This means that in future, the first-born child, regardless of gender, will become Heir to the Throne and subsequently Reigning Princess or Prince of Liechtenstein.

The change to the rules of succession will apply exclusively to descendants of future Heirs to the Throne and subsequent Rulers of Liechtenstein. Family members who have already been born will not be affected by this change.

“With this amendment to the House Law, we wish to ensure that responsibility for the House and the Country will, in future, rest where the best preparation for these duties has taken place,” said Hereditary Prince Alois of Liechtenstein. “This is generally the case for the children of the Reigning Prince or Princess, who grow up in Vaduz and are acquainted from an early age with the particular characteristics of the Principality and the Princely House.”

The revised House Law also includes various legislative improvements and adaptations to recent legal developments, particularly concerning references to Liechtenstein law. In addition, potential ambiguities of interpretation have been clarified.

The Princely House of Liechtenstein has maintained house-law regulations for centuries, and in written form for more than 400 years. The House Law is an autonomous family statute adopted by the Princely House itself and anchored at the constitutional level.

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