

Commission : Sports
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QUESTION OF: **PROMOTING THE USE OF SPORTS AS A TOOL FOR POST CONFLICT RECONCILIATION OR REINTEGRATION**

The General Assembly,

Noting with deep concern that despite the advent of human rights, there is still gender discrimination as well as discrimination against some people with disabilities as far as sports is concerned,

Noting with regret that despite continuous efforts, contemporary forms of racism persists and is growing in magnitude even in the sports sector and that sports is a powerful and long-term method to combat racism,

Without forgetting the fact that corruption has drastically reduced the development of sports infrastructures thus leading to a lack of interest in sports on the behalf of inhabitants,

Fully alarmed that competitive sports can create a space with the potential of exacerbating conflicts or even violence,

Underlining that there are certain factors as the lack of understanding and reduced awareness about uniform inclusion of people with disabilities due to wars that took place within various countries and they do not benefit from legitimate and equal opportunities,

Bearing in mind that refugees going to certain countries to get shelter do not get immediate nationalities and that they are marginalized from most of the events being organized or hosted by the country,

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1. Suggests the UN to work more closely with the UNOSDP (UN Sports for Development and Peace) to increase public awareness and highlight the importance of female sports to encourage women to participate more in sports activities organized within the country thus promoting gender equality;

2. Suggests to break boundaries by hosting more sports events thus creating togetherness and result in being a very efficient tool for post conflict reconciliation or reintegration;

3. Further reminds that no discrimination should be tolerated against minority groups based on religion, ethnicity, gender, color or any other criteria. International sports committees, governmental bodies as well as any other partners should select athletes on equal grounds and integrate them in teams to build a society of equality and tolerance;

4. Endorses sport organizations to integrate and implement gender mainstreaming and sustainable development principles in their policies, programs and projects;

5. Requests that healthy competitions are carried out promoting reintegration of people from different religious backgrounds with even the possibility of the participation of refugees during those events;

6. Reminds that sports promote team spirit and as mentioned in the motto of the FIFA World Cup, "My game is fair play" thus promoting impartiality between the players and thus building a barrier to prevent conflicts from arising due to competition;

7. Encourages the mixing of ex- combatants and non-combatants on the same teams can help to replace military affiliations with new team-based bonds and relationships;

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8. Recommends to create community sports clubs to foster healing and reconstruction;

9. Insists that to decide whether someone has a career in sports, the person should not be judged based upon his physical appearance nor religious background but only on the person's personal acquired capability.