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QUESTION OF : PROMOTING SPORTS AS AN EFFECTIVE TOOL TO CUT ACROSS BARRIERS THAT DIVIDE SOCIETIES AND TO SUPPORT CONFLICT PREVENTION

The General Assembly,

Affirms that social exclusion (family breakdown, poverty, minority groups etc...) is caused due to lack of human capital (knowledge, skills and experience) and social capital (sense of solidarity),

Deeply disturbed by the fact that a significant number of communities do not have any access to even a basic sport and recreation facilities,

Deeply conscious that the goal of the Social Summit ‘promoting social inclusion’ has not been effectively integrated in the millennium Development Goals (MDGs) so far,

Taking into consideration that women still remain proportionate less represented in all sports in the country due to stereotyping and thus women are expected to be solely responsible for household chores,

Noting with deep concern that despite much progress, racism remains a pervasive menace to individuals, ethnic and religious groups worldwide,
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Bearing in mind that corruption has drastically reduced the development of and interest in sports,

Grieved by the fact that some countries have bad climatic conditions which might act as a barrier to sportsmanship,

1. Suggests organizing more sports competitions and events to bring people together in a way that can cross boundaries and break down barriers;

2. Further recommends government bodies to develop their own approach to sports and recreation to give every citizen an opportunity to practice sport in rural areas;

3. Encourages the government to carry out sensitization campaigns to educate the population about the benefits that sports bring into our lives;

4. Affirms that there is a direct correlation between engaging students in sports and their development in education which will consequently have a positive impact on the economy;

5. Draws the attention that UNAC is concerned about the seriousness of the problems and threats caused by corruption and is trying to promote integrity;
6. **Further requests** the implementation of sport projects a wide range of situations such as short-term emergency humanitarian aid activities and long-term development cooperation projects, thereby alleviating the burden of refugees, child soldier and victims of conflict;

7. **Further reminds** that no discrimination should be tolerated against minority groups based on religion, ethnicity, sex, race, colour or any other criteria and International Sports Committees, governments and any other partners should select athletes on equal grounds and integrate them in national teams to build a society of equality and tolerance;

8. **Appreciates** the appointment of sports celebrities as spokesperson and goodwill ambassadors for United Nations representing the positive values of sport;

9. **Emphasizes** on the responsibility of all societies to encourage youngsters to participate in different sports competition to establish a mutual understanding between all athletes;

10. **Suggests** the UN to work more closely with NGOs, particularly sports organization to increase public awareness and highlight the importance of female sports to encourage women to participate in sports;

11. **Underlines** the importance of cooperation among member states to collectively implement the value of the truce around the world and emphasizes on the importance of sports events such as Olympics and FIFA World Cup;
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12. **Suggests** that match offs can be made such as football matches which can be used to entertain politicians of different countries and hence solving conflicts;

13. **Encourages** the government to invest in thicker insulation of sports complexes in order to regulate the temperature and to encourage covered and climatised buildings.