

Greece

Thank you Mr. Chairman,

Greece, as one of the main sponsors of the HRC resolutions on promoting human rights through sport and the Olympic ideal, would like to warmly thank the Advisory Committee for its final report on the matter.

We will obviously need more time to consider in depth and evaluate the report.

As a preliminary comment, we can say that the report seems comprehensive and thorough touching upon a wide range of issues, including education, all forms of discrimination, Olympic truce, human rights and sport events, protection of children and women's rights, the role of media etc.

We also appreciate the references to national experiences and best practices including extensive reference to my country. As you know, Greece has a historic tradition on these matters and has developed through the years a series of programmes on teaching and educating the youth on how to uphold the Olympic ideal.

As to recommendations, we would like to request more information on the eventual elaboration of a framework for "sport and human rights", covering inter alia mega sporting events, by drawing on the experience of the business and human rights framework.

Finally, we look forward to discuss with other main sponsors of the resolution eventual ways to "operationalize" your report through the HRC mechanisms.

Thank you Mr. Chairman.