

Resolution 2 (XXXIX)

Promoting projects and programmes that use involvement in sports as an effective measure to prevent drug abuse*

The Commission on Narcotic Drugs,

Recalling its resolution 2 (XXXVIII) of 23 March 1995,

Recalling General Assembly resolution 50/13 of 7 November 1995 on the Olympic Ideal, in which the Assembly noted with satisfaction that the International Olympic Committee and the United Nations International Drug Control Programme had jointly organized the International Conference "Sport against drugs", held at Rome on 20 and 21 February 1995,

Noting with satisfaction that some Governments and non-governmental organizations have already introduced the use of sports to prevent drug abuse as a pilot project or a component of their programmes on demand reduction and other ongoing activities,

Noting the action taken by the United Nations International Drug Control Programme, in collaboration with the International Olympic Committee and the Organizing Committee of the Games of the XXVI Olympiad, to be held at Atlanta, Georgia, United States of America, to disseminate during the Atlanta Olympic Games messages related to the use of sports to prevent drug abuse,

1. Encourages Governments to establish national committees on "Sport against drugs", involving non-governmental organizations, national sports federations, national Olympic committees and individual athletes, and requests the United Nations International Drug Control Programme to consider extending its support and expertise to such committees, within the framework of the cooperation agreement concluded between the Programme and the International Olympic Committee of 20 February 1995;

2. Invites the United Nations International Drug Control Programme, in cooperation with the International Olympic Committee, to finalize a global programme on "Sport against drugs", designed to promote the use of sports to prevent drug abuse, and, to that end, to adopt adequate measures to ensure the implementation of the cooperation agreement referred to in paragraph 1 above;

3. Also invites the Programme to pursue the dissemination of messages related to the theme of "Sport against drugs" at the Atlanta Olympic Games and at other major international sports events;

4. Urges the United Nations International Drug Control Programme to submit the programme on "Sport against drugs" to potential donor Governments and organizations, with the request to provide the additional resources needed to implement it;

5. Requests the Secretary-General to transmit the present resolution to all Governments for consideration and implementation.

* See paragraph 74 above.