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Message of Support by Mr. Wilfried Lemke

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Judo for Peace Commission



The United Nations considers sport to be a powerful tool to promote education, health, development and peace. Sport unites people of all social classes, cultures, religions and backgrounds in a positive and educational way.

As the Special Adviser to the United Nations Secretary-General on Sport for Development and Peace, it is with great pleasure that I offer my support to the Judo for Peace Commission for a period of one

year.

The Judo for Peace Commission has shown a very commendable resolve to undertake initiatives dealing with issues such as peace and reconciliation, non-violence, human rights and good governance. The spirit of Judo which composes such important aspects as respect and tolerance positions Judo to be a natural partner within the field of sport for development. This is further strengthened by the strong foundations of support offered by the International Judo Federation.

I eagerly await the evolution and results of the projects of the Judo for Peace Commission. I wish you every success in this endeavor and all the best in the continuation of your valuable efforts throughout the coming year.

Geneva, 10 February 2011

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads 'Wilfried Lemke'.

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