

RECOMMENDATION 96 (1956)[\[1\]](#)

on the measures to be taken by Member States to encourage contacts among young people

The Assembly,

Considering that the aim of the Council of Europe of achieving greater unity between its Members would be facilitated by more frequent contacts among the young people of member countries ;

Considering that sporting events would furnish appropriate means of developing such contacts,

Recommends to the Committee of Ministers :

1. that it should invite member Governments to help the appropriate bodies in member countries to organise every year, in turn, a European Junior Athletics Festival in which young people of all the member countries would be invited to participate ;
2. that it should suggest to the French Government that the first of such festivals be held in Strasbourg, as the seat of the Council of Europe, and that the French Athletic Federation be asked to send invitations to all other member countries in order that their school athletic associations or equivalent organisations should take part in the proposed Junior Athletics Festival ;
3. that it should authorise the Council of Europe to award prizes to be presented at these festivals.

[1]. This Recommendation was adopted by the Assembly at its 10th Sitting, on 20th April, 1956 (see Doc. 478, draft Recommendation of the Committee on Social Questions and Explanatory Memorandum by Miss Burton, Rapporteur).
See also Order 88.