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Press Release

Athletes do care about human rights in China

European player associations launch website to promote awareness of human rights in China.

With the Olympics fast approaching, the European Elite Athletes Association with the support of Amnesty International has launched a website to demonstrate that athletes in Europe care about the human rights situation in China.

Despite the fact that the IOC has banned all forms of political protest at the Games in Beijing the website will provide a channel through which athletes can donate to the Amnesty International China Fund which will be used to support some of the people disadvantaged by the Olympic Games. The site catalogs several of the more serious cases of abuse relating to the Olympics and several statements from prominent athletes in Europe.

Notes for Editors

1. For more information, please see www.athletesdocare.com
2. The European Elite Athletes Association, or EU Athletes, is a federation of independent player associations in Europe. Participants in EU Athletes projects include over 30 associations, representing over 25,000 athletes in Europe.
3. The PPF is the national federation of the professional player associations in the United Kingdom and a board member of EU Athletes.
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