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**Story Headline:** Olympic flame brings message of hope and peace to UN Headquarters in Geneva before making its way to Brazil

**Event:** Olympic flame visits the United Nations in Geneva.

**Location:** Palais des Nations, Geneva, Switzerland.

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Wide shot of Palais des Nations, Geneva, Switzerland.

United Nations Secretary-General, Ban Ki-moon walking out of the entrance.

Prince Albert II of Monaco greeting Jacques Rogge the United Nations Special Envoy for Youth Refugees & Sport.

Photograph being taken of 13-year-old Bruna Gabrielle Pitta Portugal arriving with the flame.

13-year-old Bruna Gabrielle Pitta Portugal carrying the flame into the UN building.

**SOUNDBYTE:** Ban Ki-moon, United Nations Secretary-General.

“This flame represents the warm partnership between the United Nations and the International Olympic movement. This is the flame of passion that burns in the hearts of athletes and fans all around the world. It is the eternal flame representing timeless values that can never be extinguished and most of all this flame is a beacon of solidarity with all peoples of the world.

R.Giri and R.M. Cordeiro Dunlop seated.

**SOUNDBYTE:** IOC President Thomas Bach.
“Both the United Nations and the IOC share values of tolerance, solidarity and peace. One expression of this solidarity is the creation of the Refugee Olympic Team that the IOC has initiated for the Olympic Games Rio 2016.

receiving the IOC President Bach presenting Ban Ki-moon, United Nations Secretary-General with the Olympic Cup.

SOUNDBYTE: Ricardo Leyser, Brazil’s Minister for Sport
“Brazil is proud to be the first country in South America to host the Olympic and the Paralympic Games. We are fortunate to represent a region rich in Culture, tourism, gastronomy, technology and of course sport and a people who fight for their dignity justice and development.”

Wide of the audience.

SOUNDBYTE: Natália Mayara, Brazilian Paralympic athlete.
“T owe everything I have to sports. Not only financially but from a personal standpoint. As a consequence of wheelchair tennis I could travel around the world and many other achievements. But my development goes much further than that. My relationships with sports kept me from discrimination myself. It made me lose that feeling of being embarrassed by my impediment. It taught me day after day of what I was capable of and that my disability would not prevent me from doing anything.”

Close of the Olympic Flame in its lantern.

Wide shot of IOC President Thomas Bach, Ban Ki-moon, United Nations Secretary-General and Prince Albert II of Monaco seated.

Ban Ki-moon, United Nations Secretary-General presenting Ricardo Leyser, Brazil’s Minister for Sport with a UN commemorative plaque for the visit.

Wide shot of photograph being taken of the dignitaries holding the Olympic flame.

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