The Case of Lebanon's Sporting Boycott of Israel

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Lebanese athletes refused to share a bus with the Israel team to get to the Opening Ceremony of the Olympic Games in August 2016 in Rio. This incident shed light on Lebanon's sporting boycott of Israel. Lebanese athletes do participate in global sporting events along with Israeli athletes, however they refuse to directly compete with them. While some Middle Eastern countries like Iran follow the Lebanese example, others such as Qatar have developed a more pragmatic approach, allowing Israeli athletes to participate in sporting events in their countries, and directly competing with them.

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