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**Popular events like the football World Cup and other international sporting occasions are essential in easing international tensions and releasing patriotic emotions in a safe way. Do you agree with this or not?**

Every four years, the whole world stops to watch international sporting events such as the Olympics and the Football World Cup **in which** athletes exhibit their best performance to make their country proud of them. **While powerful leaders are trying to control the world's economy and other governments are fighting over land, these sporting occasions have proved to be helpful in easing international tensions at critical and difficult times .**

To name one, the Olympic Games are one of the best examples which prove how sporting events can bring nations together **-- at least temporarily** ; from ancient History, when Greeks and Romans would interrupt battles to participate in the games, to the more recent international disputes, when athletes from Palestine and Israel would **" bury the hatchet"** and forget their differences, compete pacifically and even embrace each other after an event. Moreover, these popular events **have called for** the world`s attention to the terrible consequences of wars; thus some leaders have tried to accept agreements to end their dispute and live peacefully.

Similarly, international sporting events show benefits in some developing countries ,**living in a daily internal civil war**. For example, Brazil has a high rate of unemployment, lack of education, hunger, crime, poverty and corruption which leads to an immense embarrassment of being Brazilian and a low self-esteem. However, when the Football World Cup starts, the **Brazilian squad**, which is considered the best team in the world, **provokes an amazing feeling of pride in their country**. Most people seem to forget all their problems and even the criminal activity decreases. They paint roads with the national colors, use wear the Brazilian team shirt and buy national flags. Moreover, the competition brings families and neighbors together and even rival gangs watch the games and celebrate peacefully.

In conclusion, popular sporting events play an important role in decreasing international tensions and **liberating patriotic** feelings as History has shown.

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Comment: a nice organization of idea, there are very few mistakes of any type, correct punctuation, proper use of the vocabularies .Suitable use of adverbs+ transitions

Two distinct reasons are fairly developed in two paragraphs.

Above all, there is no redundancy or repetition of ideas.

The second paragraph, however, focuses around "national tensions" than on "international disputes"