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Dear friends,

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The Olympics games are at our footsteps. The entire world is focusing on the 16 days of the top sporting competitions, which are infused with national pride.

We choose to share with you in this magazine a portrait of some of Israel's leading athletes, who lift our hopes to capture Olympic medals in the Olympic Games.

We also choose to include in this magazine an article that tells the story of an Israeli Voluntary health organization in North Ethiopia that opens clinics performing cataract surgery for thousands of needy populations.

We wish both Hong Kong and Israel lots of success on the Olympic Games.

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Israel's Olympic hopes

Israel's best hopes for Olympic glory lie in the diversity and versatility of its athletes competing in London 2012, as presented to you in series of clips. http://embassies.gov.il/hong-kong/AboutIsrael/AboutIsraelInfo/Pages/Israel-Olympic-hopes.aspx



A lighter touch in the dentist's chair

LiteTouch laser system, by Israel's Syneron Dental, replaces the dreaded drill and first-generation lasers with a lighter-weight, easier-to-use device. http://embassies.gov.il/hong-kong/AboutIsrael/AboutIsraelInfo/Pages/A-lighter-touch-in-the-dentist's-chair.aspx



Risk-free water disinfection

Israel's Greeneng Solutions makes low-cost, highly effective ozone systems for blasting germs right out of the water. http://embassies.gov.il/hong-kong/AboutIsrael/AboutIsraelInfo/Pages/Greeneng's-Nanao-Ozonator.aspx



Female optimists get an A+

A positive attitude helps females earn higher grades, but makes males overconfident, according to study by Ben-Gurion University researchers. http://embassies.gov.il/hong-kong/AboutIsrael/AboutIsraelInfo/Pages/Female-optimists-get-an-A-.aspx



Israeli NGO saves sight in Ethiopia

Eye from Zion expands its free cataract surgery clinics to northern Ethiopia, where 1,400 people awaited the medical crew.



Ein Gedi: biblical charm, modern amenities

The beauty and history of this Judean Desert oasis has been drawing hikers and tourists for centuries.



Precious timepieces ticking again at Museum for Islamic Art

An invaluable collection was stolen from the Jerusalem museum and only returned 24 years later. http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=eoDQJEAX9K0&feature=player_embedded