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## FRANCE HITS 54 MEDALS OVER THAN EXPECTED AT PARALYMPICS TOKYO 2020

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**USPA NEWS** - The one hundred and thirty eight French athletes demonstrated high performance, out of the ordinary, during the Paralympic Games in Tokyo. These heroes of the disciplines of the Paralympic games, have surpassed themselves in Cycling, judo, wheelchair tennis, basketball, wrestling, swimming, archery. and brings fifty four medals to their country. Tony Estanguet, Director General of the future Olympic Games and Paralympic Games in Paris 2024 said he was "very happy and more than satisfied with this number of medals which exceeded our expectations of thirty five medals, fixed. Paris 2024 Olympic and Paralympic Games ". Indeed the athletes were determined to prove their worth and win as many medals as possible. thus offering a French prize list of fifty four medals in total (54), including eleven (11) in gold medals, fifteen (15) in silver and eight (28) in bronze. This fine track record allows France to rank 14th at the Tokyo Paralympic Games! In 2016 at the Paralympic Games in Rio, France was represented by 126 athletes, participating in seventeen sports categories, had reported twenty eight medals, ranking France in 12th position in the world.

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### TONY ESTANGUET IS CONFIDENT ON THE BIG AMBITIONS OF OLYMPIC PARALYMPICS GAMES OF PARIS 2024

Since France, ranking 14th for the Paralympic games, Paris 2024, is an issue both close (There are only 3 years left, to prepare, COVID-19 requires), and challenging both for athletes than for the organizers. The stake is all the more detailed as this summer, there was a worldwide audience of 4.5 billion spectators of the Paralympic Games which took place in Tokyo with a year of delay due to the health measures of the COVID pandemic. -19. This proves the growing interest of these Olympic games so special and so fascinating by the extraordinary performances of their high level athletes, courageous and fierce to break records. In fact, for Paris, great challenges will have to be taken up for the Paris Games in 2024. The production and distribution of images of certain events can still be improved. The choice of disciplines can also be changed. Especially for adapted sport. Adapted sport brings together athletes with mental or psychological disabilities. Of the 22 sports, only 3 disciplines were concerned with athletics, swimming and table tennis. Tony Estanguet, who has already innovated a lot within the framework of his presence at the Organization of the 2024 games in France, he has for example integrated the Urban games such as the basketball board which has now become an Olympic discipline. We could, for example, imagine a new category in Paris in 2024 for sportsmen with Down's syndrome. Tony Estanguet, explains to us "I will continue, obviously the initiative #Wethe15, a movement launched by the organization of the Tokyo Olympics in 2021, under the aegis of the United Nations for a better inclusion of disabled people.

### ATHLETES WITH OUTSTANDING PERFORMANCE DREAMED 4.5 BILLION VIEWERS-----

The disabled athletes of the Paralympic Games, whose opening ceremony in Tokyo did a great job, whether they were without arms, or legs or in a wheelchair, mute, blind, deaf .... A more than a very good job, as then went further than their expectations, in many

ways. Hence the interest of a public increasingly attracted and fascinated by their exploits, to the point of accumulating an audience of 4.4 billion from all over the world ... during the Paralympic Games in Tokyo .... They have proved that by their abnegation, mental foreclosures and concentration on the excellence of the sport, they can beat sporting records of high level while being in a situation of handicap. It requires even more energy, work, determination to produce such performances and in addition to give dreams. These one hundred and thirty French high para athletes made the spectators dream, and gave a lesson in humility and bravery that they owe only to themselves. In 2016 at the Paralympic Games in Rio, France was represented by 126 athletes, participating in seventeen sports categories, had reported twenty eight medals, ranking France in 12th position in the world. This year in 2020 Tokyo, the French athletes have doubled the number of medals, which is a real achievement! In a few days, the President of the Republic will certainly invite them to receive them at the Elysee Palace to congratulate them on their exploits and hoist the French flag high, in a spirit of sporting fair play.

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