

**13<sup>th</sup> Chess Olympiad for Blind & Visually Impaired Players**

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**Hotel «APOLLONIA», Ammoudara - Crete**

**Hellenic Sports Federation for Persons with Disabilities**

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At the 8<sup>th</sup> round, Russia won Romania (score 2,5 - 1,5), ensuring mathematically the 1<sup>st</sup> place of the 13<sup>th</sup> Olympiad. The Team Captain of Russia in order to reassure the victory of his team accepted draw agreement in 1<sup>st</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> chessboard.

At the 2<sup>nd</sup> place of the ranking list, after her victory against Germany (score 2,5 - 1,5), is Ukraine. The result of the game between Ukraine and Poland - at tomorrow's final round - will show the winner of the Silver medal. Croatia and Spain, which play against each other, will also try to win a place at the top 3 teams of the organization.

9<sup>th</sup> round will be critical for the winners of the medals per chess board. So far, the performance of the World Champion Lubov Zsiltzova-Lisenko is really impressive with 7,5 points in 8 games and elo 2510!

The final round will begin tomorrow at 09.00. Tomorrow, also, at 20.00 the Closing Ceremony of the 13<sup>th</sup> Chess Olympiad for Blind & Visually Impaired players will be held at the «TAVERNA» hall of the hotel, which is located near to the beach. The Medal Ceremonies will be realized during the Closing Ceremony and afterwards dinner will follow.