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GEORGIAN AND ABKHAZ CHILDREN'S JOINT HOLIDAY

From 22 June to 13 July UNOMIG and the Ukrainian government are sponsoring the joint holiday of 14 Georgian and 14 Abkhaz children in the "Artek" recreation complex in the Crimea, Ukraine. The project is conceived within the framework of the Yalta Agreement on the Strengthening of Confidence-Building Measures between Tbilisi and Sukhumi within the UN-led Geneva Peace Process.

The former SRSG for Georgia, Dieter Boden, helped organize the trip because it was conducive to the peace process as it brings together children from both parties.

UNOMIG is providing free air travel through financing from the Swiss government, while the Ukrainian government is covering the cost of their accommodation at "Artek."

The children, who will be accompanied by two adults, will travel to Simferopol and then to Yalta. Last year UNOMIG and the Ukrainian government also facilitated the joint summer holiday of 28 Georgian and Abkhaz children at "Artek".

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