Argentina Creating Database of Soccer Hooligans



Buenos Aires, January 29 (RHC-teleSUR) -- The Argentinean government announced Thursday that it is creating a nationwide registry of soccer "hooligans" to control the admission of fans at soccer matches, part of an effort to prevent violence that has plagued the sport. The database will include the personal information of each person that has been banned from attending matches and the reason behind that decision.

Authorities are also calling on the Argentine Football Association to implement a training program for players, coaches, and referees at all levels on "the values of fair play and respect."

The decision to create the "National Registry for People Eligible for Admission to Football Events" comes after a recent "friendly" matched turned into on-field violence, with five people being expelled from the game.

In Argentina, since 2013, the visiting team's supporters are not allowed in the field to prevent violent incidents. According to the NGO 'Salvemos al Futbol' (Let's save football) six people died in Argentina in these type of events last year, 14 died in 2014, and 12 in 2013.



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