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**TWO MOMENTS**

While the story of Russia's participation in the Rio 2016 Olympics hunkered under a dark cloud of doping and suspensions, many athletes nonetheless excelled in their chosen endeavor, garnering the praise of sports lovers in Moscow and beyond.

Above: Seda Tutkhalyan on the balance beam in the finals for team gymnastics. The Russian women's team took silver.

Right: Russia's Inna Deriglazova (right) in the fencing final versus Elisa Di Francesco (Italy). Deriglazova won, seizing Russia's first gold medal in the games.



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