

## WISHES

*To the members of the International Olympic Committee, to the National Olympic Committees and to the International Sport Federations I send best greetings and wishes for a good ending of the last year of the XIII Olympiad. Next year, 1948, will be the first year of the XIV Olympiad. As usually the Olympiad begins with the Olympic Games. The Winter Games will be held in St. Moritz end of January and beginning of February and the Summer Games in London end of July and the first half of August.*

*The interest for the Olympic movement is larger than ever before. The world is longing back to the beautiful time of peace. The Olympic idea signifies for the youth not only an international cooperation for physical and psychical betterment, so well needed after the terrible world war, but also a morning glow of the return of peaceful times. The youth of more than 50 countries is anticipating the participation in the Games and more are expected.*

*The future belongs to the youth. At the Olympic Games 1948 many ties of friendship and estimation will be formed which will help a better understanding between the nations. I hope that in this way our Olympic Games will become an instrument for peace in the world.*

*With this hope I wish you all a good ending of 1947 and a successful and happy Olympic year 1948.*

*Stockholm, November, 1947.*

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "J. Edström". The signature is written in a cursive style with a long, sweeping underline that extends across the width of the text.