

**A Motion was passed by the International Olympic
Committee, reproving with Sorrow and Regret the
_____Abstention to the Games by some Nations_____**

„On the eve of the opening of the Melbourne Games, the International Olympic Committee, at its first sitting, learned officially from its President, Mr. Avery Brundage, that a small number of nations had withdrawn from the Games for reasons other than sport.

The International Olympic Committee, an organization concerned solely with sport,

expresses its sorrow and regret at these withdrawals, considering that they are not in keeping with Olympic ideal.”

This resolution was put to vote and passed unanimously by all the members present and forwarded to the National Olympic Committees of

HOLLAND - SPAIN - SWITZERLAND -
LEBANON - IRAK and CHINA (Pekin).