

*The documents relating to*  
**THE INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION**  
**FOR THE PROTECTION OF OLYMPIC EMBLEMS**  
*have been handed over to Greece*

As you know, the International Olympic Committee has been trying for several years to obtain the adhesion of the countries which possess a National Olympic Committee in view of the convocation issued by the Swiss Government appointing them to attend an international Conference to be held in Geneva, when the participants were to sign a Convention for the protection of the Olympic Games, of their name and their emblems. Me Antoine Hafner, advocate in Geneva and member of the Swiss Olympic Committee, kindly offered to represent the International Olympic Committee in his negotiations with the Swiss Federal Council. In this brief statement it would be irksome to relate in detail the tremendous work involved in connection with these negotiations. Several countries did not reply, others put off giving their adhesion till too late and lastly, several countries gave unfavourable replies. In these circum-

stances, the Swiss Government resolved to abandon the idea of convening an International Conference which, in his opinion, arose such poor response in some countries.

The Olympic Committee for Greece very generously offered to put itself to the disposal of the International Olympic Committee, thus entertaining the hope that the Greek Government will succeed where the Swiss Government failed.

It is thus that on March 4th 1958, the Chancellery of the International Olympic Committee handed over to Mr. Jean Ketséas, member of the International Olympic Committee for Greece an important file prepared with the greatest of care by Me Antoine Hafner to whom we wish to renew our thanks for the very big work he accomplished.

Let us wish good luck to our Greek friends for the successful issue of the task they took upon themselves to accomplish.