
CONCERNING PSEUDO-AMATEURISM

The article we reproduced from the *Tribune de Lausanne* under the above title, and which we published in our last Bulletin, aroused the following comment from one of our oversea readers :

‘Can the International Olympic Committee refuse access to the Olympic Games to athletes say on grounds of professionalism or for any other serious reasons ?’

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We can answer affirmatively after article 39 of the Olympic Rules which says :

FINAL COURT OF APPEAL

‘The Executive Board of the International Olympic Committee decides all matters of

controversy of a non-technical nature concerning the Games. Such matters may be submitted only by National Olympic Committees, International Federations or the Organizing Committee.

In addition the Executive Board may intervene in all questions of a non-technical nature.

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We think that this text is sufficiently clear to make our correspondent (as well as all readers) realize that the International Olympic Committee is perfectly entitled to refuse access to any athlete to the Olympic Games.

