

Executive Board of the I. O. C. and International Federations

Minutes of the meeting of 23rd April, 1966, at Foro Italico, Rome

1. *President Brundage* called the meeting to order at 9.45 a.m.
2. **List of those present and attending:** Annex No. 1.
3. **Approval of the minutes of the last meeting.**
There were no corrections and the minutes were approved.

4. **Discussion of the questions raised at the time of the last meeting.**

- a) *Proceeds from television.*
Colonel Russell, speaking on the name of all federations represented, asked that discussion of this question be postponed until the minutes of their meeting together had been drafted.
- b) *Must the Olympic programme include all the recognized sports?*
Colonel Russell said that the I.F. had unanimously ratified the Lausanne resolution, asking that the Olympic programme include the twenty-one recognized sports.
- c) *Political interference in sport.*
Colonel Russell, in the name of the federations represented, confirmed their resolution made in Lausanne, namely that all the International Federations who so desire must have the possibility to participate in the Olympic Games, in championships or other meets, without any discrimination based on the race or political opinion.

President Brundage was happy to see the I.F. reaffirm their stand concerning political interference in sport. This position coincides with that of the I.O.C. and with its statutes. It is extremely important that on this point the I.O.C., the N.O.C.s. and the I.F.'s agree. Until now, our negotiations with N.A.T.O. have been at a standstill, but we are working on the question and hope to obtain something in the future. Referring to sports included in the *Olympic Programme*, the I.O.C. reserves to itself the right to designate them. For the 1972 Games, the I.O.C. has approved twenty-one sports. However, it must be understood that each sport added to the Games, increases the expenses. We have had in the past as many as seventeen candidate cities for the organization of the Games. Today we have four candidate cities. Three cities have renounced, probably on account of the cost of the Games. If we continue to increase the competitions, we risk seeing the candidatures diminish still further, for never has a city made a profit in organizing the Olympic Games. The I.O.C. also has the duty to watch that the statutes of the International Federations conform to the rules of amateurism. Several sports are at the limit of what can be tolerated. We have no foregone conclusions for or against one or another sport, but we must discuss with their federations to try to better the situation. The I.O.C. reserves the right to compose the program, including those sports that respect its rules, but it wishes to work in complete

harmony and whole-hearted friendship with the International Federations.

Mr. C. S. Palmer (president I.F. Judo) reviewed the situation of his sport that participated in the Tokyo Games, that will participate in the 1972 Games, but that is excluded from the Mexican Games. The Organizing Committee would agree to include it. *Mr. Brundage* answered that the programme for the Mexican Games had already been settled. To change it, it would be necessary to obtain the vote of 2/3 of the members present. The I.O.C. session had put this question on its agenda.

Mr. State (weightlifting) recalled the question of payment of the I.F.'s presidents and secretaries expenses who go to verify on the spot the installations for the Games. *Mr. Keller* (rowing) supported the preceding speaker, and thought that if it was necessary, the number of delegates should be increased. It certainly aids the Organizing Committees when representatives of International Federations can visit them, for sometimes they have been able to suggest less costly solutions than those envisioned. *Mr. Brundage* said that all that was a question of good sense. He said that our rules stipulate that the sports installations must be approved by the International Federations. The Organizing Committees appreciate their advice and are usually willing to pay for it when necessary.

Report from the Organizing Committee of Grenoble.

Dr. R. Heraud, the new director of the Organizing Committee of the Games and former director general of the Institute of Sports in Paris, commented on the written report that had been distributed to the representatives of the International Federations. He gave his assurance that everything would be ready on schedule.

In reply to a question from *Mr. Amilcare Rotta* (bobsleigh) *Mr. Heraud* said that the construction of the run has not been finished yet, but that it will be ready on time.

Mr. Brundage said that the representatives of the Organizing Committee of the Grenoble Games were there at the disposal of the International Federations to answer all the questions that they might have to ask.

Report from Organizing Committee of Mexico City.

General Clark (Organizing Committee) said that the printed reports were going to arrive and that they would be sent directly to the International Federations. He considered that the work of organization was going ahead satisfactorily. Technicians, engineers and architects from the Organizing Committee were there in Rome and would be happy to receive the visit of the representatives of the F.I.'s and to listen to their suggestions. Speaking of the test-events, *General Clark* said that the Organizing Committee will not invite anyone in 1966, but that everyone can come. They will organize the tests with the support of the International Federations, the only principle being to receive teams but not lone champions.

7. Discussion about the candidatures to the 1972 Games.

A general debate followed in which the following took part : Messrs. *Hodler* (skiing), *Pain* (athletics), *Russell* (boxing), *Jones* (basketball), *Coulon* (wrestling), *General Thofelt* (pentathlon), *Armand Massard* (E.B.), *General Clark* (E.B.) and President *Brundage*. Mr. Brundage asked the I.F.'s to examine carefully all the candidatures, to seek information in advance on the questions in doubt and to report afterwards to the I.O.C. in order that fully informed it might make its choice. He said that the technical questions are very important, but there are others as well. The Olympic Games belong to the world. Every city has the right to organize the Games, no matter to what country it may belong. Certainly, athletes sometimes find themselves facing difficult conditions. He cited the example of Mexico, whose athletes have taken part in many Olympic Games, although the altitude has played its role for them, but it is also certain that the Mexican Games will stimulate the Olympic Movement throughout Central America and even in South America. The I.O.C. tries to choose the organizing cities for the benefit alone of the Olympic Movement.

Colonel Russell, speaking in the name of the International Federations, expressed the wish that the candidate cities take contact with the International Federations and send them in advance all the documentation concerning their sport. The International Federations will draw up a questionnaire and will send it, not on the eve of the presentation of the candidatures, but six months ahead of time, in order that an exchange of letters can take place. *President Brundage* found this solution excellent. He noted that the largest part of the expenditures of a candidate city are devoted to the construction of roads and tourist facilities. This construction constitutes an asset for the country and must not be charged to the Games, as the journalists too often do, who speak of the three billion dollars spent by Japan for the Games. In fact, these billions were spent for rail, air and road communications, whose benefit from the point of view of tourism will be felt long afterwards in Japan.

8. General discussion on the Olympic Rules.

- a) *Doping*. *President Brundage* brought the question up to date. Everyone agrees that it must be eliminated at any cost. The Council of Europe has studied the question very seriously. First of all the word "Doping" must be defined and a list of products to be forbidden must be drawn up. This question is on the agenda of the I.O.C. session who will decide about the necessary sanctions. In this line of thought, the plan is to disqualify the whole team if one of its members has taken drugs or artificial stimulants.
- b) *Cash prizes*. *President Brundage* had taken contact with the federations in question, yachting, shooting and equestrian sports. He had good hope of obtaining a result, eliminating this violation of Olympic regulations.
- c) *Rules on the conditions of admission to the Games*. *President Brundage* announced that a committee is studying this question : referring to the limitation of entries, *President Brundage* declared that it was materially impossible to permit everyone to participate in the Games. The International Amateur Athletic Federation had understood this and has permitted the entry of a single athlete for each event. In swimming, there is also a limit and other federations also apply one. It is clear that the participation of athletes of a non-Olympic caliber constitute a danger in certain sports, such as boxing, horse-back riding, etc.

The president declared that at the 1964 Games, in Tokyo, difficulties arose concerning the participation of the athletes from Indonesia and from Korea, difficulties provoked by the fact that all the I.F.'s do not apply the same sanctions regarding certain faults. In Tokyo, certain I.F.'s did not make an issue of the matter, others maintained their sanctions.

Mr. Brundage also spoke about the infractions of the rule of amateurism which had been ascertained at Innsbruck, and cited the *Kilius-Bäumler* case. This couple, who were minors and therefore irresponsible from a legal point of view, has concluded, before the Games, a secret contract whose financial clauses differed according to the result obtained at the Games. The I.O.C. made an inquiry, and without awaiting for the conclusions of this inquiry, the couple *Kilius-Bäumler* returned their silver medals. Therefore, we are going to give them to the couple who won third place, whose bronze medals will be awarded to the couple who won fourth place. Now, it so happens that these two couples have turned professional after the Games, which is no longer our responsibility, but which brings out how much artistic skating is tainted with professionalism, and therefore, should not be on the Olympic programme. Mr. Brundage emphasized the close ties that bind the National Olympic Committees composed in large measure of representatives of the National Federations, and the I.F.'s themselves. Therefore, these two bodies can check mutually on each other.

9. Discussion of the commercial sponsorship of sports competitions and the subsidies coming from commercial or industrial firms.

President Brundage said that several International Federations had asked him to reinforce our rules and to try to obtain a uniform attitude on this subject. This matter concerns the Olympic Games, championships and other meets. The first step to be taken by the I.F.'s and by the I.O.C. would be to forbid publicity on the uniforms and on the numbers worn by athletes. Some International Federations already have regulations of this sort : they should all adopt them adapting them to their particular sport. He said that after the Tokyo Games, he had received hundreds of letters from indignant parents roused by the advertising on television for alcoholic beverages and cigarettes, advertising that could have a bad influence on their children enthusiastic about Olympic Games. A discussion followed, in which the following took part: Messrs. *Ahearne* (ice hockey), *Marquess of Exeter* (I.O.C.), *Mrs. Frith* (archery), *Mr. Pain* (athletics), *Mr. Coulon* (wrestling), who cited specific cases of commercial publicity to avoid.

10. Miscellaneous.

The *Marquess of Exeter* (I.O.C.) spoke of the altitude of Mexico City. He judged it unjust that some competitors could train at high altitudes during several weeks, even several months, while others would have to be satisfied with the two weeks offered free of charge by the Organizing Committee of Mexico City. This is why the I.O.C. will propose at its session that in order to give as equal opportunity as possible to all the competitors, no athlete, excepting those who normally live or train at high altitudes, will be able to train at a high altitude more than four weeks during the three months preceding the opening of the Games. Concerning this matter, *Mr. State* (weightlifting) indicated that athletes are looking for work in Mexico City in order to accustom themselves to the altitude. He had also learned that New Zealanders are looking for work in Mexico for a period of two years.

Mediterranean Games.

The next Games will take place in Tunis. They will be called the Games of Tunis to avoid difficulties and, in the future, they will bear the name of the city where they will be organized.

West and East Germany.

Mr. Hodler (skiing) proposed a joint attempt to find a solution regarding the insignia worn by the athletes from the two Germanies for the World Championships and other international contests, with the exception of the Olympic Games for which an accord exists.

4. a) Television **proceeds.**

In Lausanne, in 1965, the International Federations had asked that a third of all the television proceeds be paid to them. Mr. Brundage said that the principle to be discussed was the following: that the television rights belong to the I.O.C., who wants the money to be devoted entirely to the Olympic Movement. Four bodies belong to this movement: the International Federations who are responsible for the technical questions, the National Olympic Committees who must support the cost of the transportation of the athletes and of the equipment, as well as their food and lodging, the Organizing Committee who must prepare sports installations satisfactory to the technical requirements of the twenty-one olympic sports and in addition the I.O.C. who has its own expenses for the headquarters, for publicity and for subsidies to the Olympic Academy, the International Institute, a.s.o. A debate followed in which the following pleaded the cause of the International Federations: Mr. Coulon (wrestling), Mr. Ahearne (ice hockey), Colonel Russell (boxing). It was decided to postpone the question until the following day, that is to say before the presentation of the candidate cities.

The discussion was therefore resumed at that time. Consequently the table of distribution of the I.O.C. for the television proceeds was accepted for the 1972 Games. (See items 7 and 8 of minutes of I.O.C. session.)

Colonel Russell thanked the president of the I.O.C. and the members of the E.B. and assured them of

the loyalty and of the collaboration of the International Federations.

The meeting was adjourned at 5.00 p.m.

Avery Brundage
president

L. Zanchi
secretary

Annex No. 1.

Liste de présence / List of presence.

Commission Exécutive du C.I.O. /

Executive Board of the I.O.C. :

M. Avery Brundage, president; M. Armand Massard, 1^{er} vice-president; Le Marquis d'Exeter, 2^e vice-president; M. Constantin Andrianow; Général José de Clark; M. Ivar Vind; Dⁱ Giorgio de Stefani; M. Gabriel Gemayel.

Fédérations Internationales / International Federations:

Athlétisme (I.A.A.F.): M. D. T. P. Pain; *Aviron (F.I.S.A.):* M. Thomas Keller, M. Charles Riolo; *Basketball (F.I.B.A.):* M. R. William Jones, M. Claudio Coccia; *Bobsleigh et Toboganing (F.I.B.T.):* M. A. Rotta, M. Lefcief; *Boxe (A.I.B.A.):* Colonel Russell, M. Banks, M. Denisov; *Canoe (I.C.F.):* M. de Coquereumont, M. Luigi Grappelli; *Cyclisme (F.I.A.C.):* M. Rodoni, M. Chesal; *Equestre (F.E.I.):* M. Bruno Bruni; *Escrime (F.I.E.):* M. Pierre Ferri; *Football (F.I.F.A.):* Sir Stanley Rous, Dⁱ Otto Barassi, Dⁱ Helmut Käser, M. Granat; *Gymnastique (F.I.G.):* M. Bangerter, M. Clergerie; *Haltérophilie (F.I.H.C.):* M. Clarence H. Johnson, M. Oscar State; *Handball (F.I.H.):* M. Baumann, M. Wagner, M. Max Rinckenburger; *Hockey:* M. R. Frank, M. Demaurex, M. J. M. Sainz Terreros; *Hockey sur glace (I.I.H.F.):* M. J. F. Ahearne; *Judo (F.I.J.):* M. C. S. Palmer, M. Bonet-Maury; *Luge de course (F.I.L.):* M. Bert Isatitsch, M. von Falz Fein; *Lutte (F.I.L.A.):* M. Roger Coulon, M. Ichiro Hatta; *Natation (F.I.N.A.):* M. Berge Phillips, M. Maseij Kiyokawa; *Pentathlon moderne (U.I.P.M.):* M. Sven Thofelt. M. Edgar Fried; *Patinage (I.S.U.):* M. Sven Laftman; *Ski (F.I.S.):* M. Marc Hodler, M. Sigge Bergman, M. Piero Oneglio; *Tir (U.I.T.):* M. K. Hasler, M. E. Zimmermann; *Tir à l'arc (F.I.T.A.):* M^{me} Inger Frith; *Volleyball (F.I.V.B.):* M. Libaud; *Yachting:* M. B. Croce, M. Dietrich Finler.

Observateurs:

Roller-skating: M. Oliveras de la Rive, M. J. A. Samaranich; *Sports universitaires (F.I.S.U.):* M. Primo Nebiolo; *Lawn tennis:* M. Paula da Silva Costa.