

WITHIN THE INTERNATIONAL FEDERATIONS.

\* We shall make a report of the meeting of the International Sports Federations and the Executive Board of the I O C, on 27th and 28th January 1968 in our next Newsletter.

\* FENCING

10th-11th February in Brussels (Belgium) individual sabre competition  
in Melun (France) individual foil competition.  
in Linz (Austria) individual foil competition  
17th-18th February in Duren (Belgium) individual "trois armes" and ladies foil competitions.  
in Bydgoszcz (Poland) individual "quatre armes" competition.  
24th-29th February in Tunis (Tunisia) individual ladies foil competition.  
in Paris (France) Monal Challenge Cup - "épée".

\* FOOTBALL- PRE-OLYMPIC FOOTBALL TOURNAMENT.- PROGRAMME-

AFRICA: 3rd Preliminary Round.

Algeria	v. Guinea	} Winner qualified for Mexico
Guinea	v. Algeria	
Madagascar/Ethiop.	v. Nigeria	} Winner qualified for Mexico
Nigeria	v. Madagascar Ethiopia	
Cameroons/Ghana	v. Morocco	} Winner qualified for Mexico
Morocco	v. Cameroons/Ghana	

ASIA:

a) Group Tournament in Thailand

According to a provisional information of the Asian Football Confederation the two subgroups have been merged. The participating Associations are:

Indonesia, Iraq, Hong Kong, Pakistan and Thailand.

The Winner will qualify for the final tournament in Mexico.

b) Group Tournament in Israel

Participating countries are:

Burma, Ceylon, India, Israel, Libya, Korea D.P.R.

The Winner will qualify for the final tournament in Mexico.

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CONCACAF: 3rd Preliminary Round

Costa Rica	v. Guatemala/Bermuda	} Winner qualified for Mexico
Guatemala/Bermuda	v. Costa Rica	
Trinidad	v. El Salvador	} Winner qualified for Mexico
El Salvador	v. Trinidad	

EUROPE: 3rd Preliminary Round

USSR	v. CSSR	} Winner qualified for Mexico
CSSR	v. USSR	
Bulgaria	v. Germany East	} Winner qualified for Mexico
Germany East	v. Bulgaria	
France	v. Austria	} Winner qualified for Mexico
Austria	v. France	
Great Britain	v. Spain	} Winner qualified for Mexico
Spain	v. Great Britain	

SOUTH AMERICA:

The participating Associations of the South American Confederations have decided to play a Preolympic Tournament from 19th March to 10th April, 1968 in Colombia in the following cities:

Bogota, Cali, Medellin and Barranquilla.

By a draw the following two groups were formed:

Group A: Argentina, Brazil, Chile, Paraguay, Venezuela

Group B: Bolivia, Colombia, Ecuador, Peru, Uruguay

The group matches will be played by league system and the two first classified teams of each group will form a final group of four and play each other again. The two teams classified on first and second place of this final group of four will qualify for the final tournament in Mexico.

HANDBALL

- from 16th to 24th November, thirteen teams will take part in the Fourth World Small Field Handball Championships in the USSR.

- Twenty eight teams have already applied to take part in the Seventh Mens World Small Field Handball Championships which will be held in France at the beginning of 1970. The preliminary rounds will be held during the winter of 1968/1969.

- The International Handball Federation's Congress will be held from 29th to 31st August 1968 in Amsterdam.