

The Work of the Executive Board



The Executive Board: Prince Takeda, J.A. Samaranch, C. Andrianov, comte J. de Beaumont, 1st vice-president; the Lord Killanin, president; H. van Karnebeek, 2nd vice-president; major S. de Magalhaes Padhilla. Standing: Mrs Monique Berlioux, IOC Director and Mr Artur Takac, former technical director.

Meeting in Lausanne from 2nd-5th February 1973, the Executive Board of the IOC was presided over for the first time by the Lord Killanin, President of the IOC. There were two major points on the Agenda:

- The election of a city to organise the XIth Winter Games.
- The report of the Organising Committee of the Games of the XXIst Olympiad at Montreal.

The IOC, taking into consideration the advice of the International Winter Sports Federations, decided on Innsbruck, which after an interval of twelve years, will receive the six winter sports for the

second time. We are printing a description of the 1976 Olympic City.

Likewise, we will explain the important points of the report from the President of the Montreal Organising Committee, H.E. Roger Rousseau, in an article devoted to the Games of the XXIst Olympiad.

The Executive Board's discussions covered the following points:

Registration

Lord Killanin presented a letter from Mr Avery Brundage dated 21st December 1972, which read: "In order to keep the records straight, since I have been elected Honorary President, I am offering my resignation as a member of the International Olympic Committee." Mr Brundage

proposed a candidate as the member for the United States who was also recommended by Mr Roby.

The nomination of a successor to Mr Brundage would be discussed at the next meeting of the Executive Board in June, and voted on at the Session in Varna.

Varna Congress

Lord Killanin stated that his Opening Speech for the Varna Congress would be a résumé of the policy that he intended to follow in the course of the next few years. He would give a draft to the Executive Board.

Comte Jean de Beaumont, first Vice-President, will speak on the future of the Olympic Games and its consequences, while Mr van Karnebeek, Vice-President, will speak on the second theme concerning the relations between the IOC, IFS and NOCs. Among the other IOC speakers will be Mr Daume, Vice-President, who will deal with the administration of the Games, Mr Csanadi on the Olympic Programme and Mr Gafner on the Emblems.

The schedule for the Varna Congress and the 74th IOC Session following it is given below:

28th September, 14.00 hours: Tripartite Commission.

29th September-30th September, 9.00 hours: Executive Commission.

30th September, 15.30 hours: Press and Public Relations Commission.

1st, 2nd October: Reserved for the IOC Commissions.

30th September, 9.30 hours: Official opening of the Olympic Congress and the 74th IOC Session—Anniversary of the Bulgarian Olympic Committee.

1, 2, 3 and 4th October, from 9.00-14.00 hours: Olympic Congress, the afternoons being reserved for the meetings of various

groups. 5, 6, 7 October: 74th Session of the IOC at the International Hotel.

Invitations to attend the Congress have been sent out by the IOC to IFs and NOCs. Primary registration should reach the Bulgarian Olympic Committee by 31st March 1973 whereas the latest date for final registration has been set for 14th June 1973.

Accreditation forms have been sent to the journalists requesting them from the IOC Headquarters. Latest date 31st March 1973.

Solidarity

Mr van Karnebeek gave a report on the recent meetings concerning this subject held between the three IOC Vice-Presidents and Mr Onesti, Co-ordinator. Lord Killanin stated that a "Solidarity" section was to be created, within the IOC Secretariat, and placed under the responsibility of the new Technical Director, Mr Banks. Very close contact was to be maintained between Lausanne and the NOCs, while Mr Onesti would ensure constant liaison.

Emblems

Mr Gafner, President of the Commission for the Olympic Emblems, reported on his discussions with the African NOCs who promised to support the action taken to protect the Emblems.

Programme

The Olympic Programme Commission, presided over by Mr Csanadi, will meet in Lausanne in June to present its final report to the Executive Board for approval at the Session in Varna.

Medical Commission

The Prince de Mérode, President of the

Medical Commission, thanked the Organising Committee of the Games of the XXth Olympiad at Munich for their excellent work and the facilities put at the disposal of the Commission.

He announced that the next meeting of this Commission would be held at Moscow on 25th May 1973, that Dr Laurin would henceforth represent the Montreal Organising Committee, and that in future an official of a participating team could not be a member of the IOC Medical Commission.

Regional Games

The Executive Board appointed Major Magalhaes de Padilha, IOC member for Brazil, to represent the IOC at the VIIth Bolivarian Games which were held in Panama from 17th February to 3rd March 1973.

General Secretariat

Mrs Berlioux, IOC Director, submitted a report on the organisation and functions of the IOC Secretariat.

Lord Killanin reminded the meeting that Mr Arthur Takac, Technical Director, was leaving the IOC on 28th February and that Mr Henry Banks would replace him as from 15th March.

The Executive Board gave its agreement to the new arrangements concerning the Publications, these are that:

- The *Olympic Review* will be published every other month in French, English and Spanish.
- The *1973 Olympic Directory* is to be edited around June.
- The “Rules and Regulations” are to be printed for the Varna Session.
- The brochure *Olympism* will be brought up to date and reprinted.

Next Meetings

The Executive Board reserved the following dates for forthcoming meetings:

- Executive Board: 22nd, 23rd and 24th June in Lausanne.
- 75th IOC Session 11th-19th October 1974 in Vienna, Austria.
- 76th IOC Session 21st-24th May 1975 in Lausanne.

