

The International Olympic Academy



**The XVth Session:
from 11th to 26th July 1975**

The political upheavals in the Mediterranean last summer caused the cancellation of the XIVth Session of the IOA just a few hours before it was due to open.

Some of the clouds have passed over and it is to be hoped that the 1975 Session will resume with a tradition of humanism that nothing can destroy. Thus, the appeal which follows this presentation, written by two American delegates to last year's "phantom" Session, is aptly entitled "L'Esprit de Corps".

The XVth Session of the International Olympic Academy will be held at Olympia from 11th to 26th July 1975, under the patronage of the IOC and the auspices of the Hellenic Olympic Committee. The NOCs are invited to send between one and seven participants¹, fit to become defenders of Olympism, particularly former Olympic medal winners or competitors.

The international Olympic movement will be the main subject for discussion, and *the modern Olympic Games* will be studied as a special theme. Two subjects will be optional: *the preparation of participants for the Olympic Games* and *lectures by Olympic medallists*.

Living expenses, fixed at 12 dollars per person per day, include accommodation, meals, travelling costs inside Greece and guided tours. The Hellenic Olympic Committee is offering a grant to one participant, chosen by his NOC, which will include his living expenses (accommodation, meals).

We will publish the complete programme and the list of lecturers in a future issue.

¹ Readers, who are under 35 and have a good knowledge of French or English, should contact the NOC of their country if they wish to take part.



Mr. Athanassos
Tzartzanos

Mr. Tzartzanos succeeds Mr. Petralias

Mr. Epaminondas Petralias' last statement as President of the IOA to the members of the IOC Commission for the International Olympic Academy, meeting in Vienna, was marked with simplicity, but also with emotion. He was anxious to thank the IOC for its constant assistance from which, he declared, the new Ephoria would also benefit. He stated that he had no doubt the Academy's tradition would be upheld.

The new President of the IOA, Mr. Athanassos Tzartzanos, President of the Greek Ski and Mountaineering Federation, and a close friend of the late Mr. Janos Ketseas, founder of the Academy, has several times presented much appreciated lectures to the Sessions at Olympia. As for his colleagues, including Mr. Otto Szymiczek who remains Curator of the Academy, all are eminent sportsmen, and Mr. Tzartzanos is convinced of their loyalty to the common cause of Olympism and its promotion.

The "Olympic Review" would like to address its thanks to Mr. Petralias for all his work and to confirm its support of the new leaders,

1975 IOA Programme

- 11th to 26th July: XVth Session of the IOA.
- 26th July to 3rd August: International Session of the FIEP (International Physical Education Federation).
- 3rd to 10th August: 6th Session of Greek Teachers.
- Date to be arranged: Technical Session for Greek Physical Education Instructors.
- Date to be arranged: International Course for FIFA Referees.