

The press at the Olympic Games

A great many figures have been quoted for the number of representatives from the different news media who are permitted to cover the Olympic Games.

In order to remove all uncertainty in this respect, we publish below paragraph 2 - Accreditations - from the questionnaire for the written, spoken and filmed press for candidate cities, and which establishes the maximum figures authorised by the IOC. These figures are applicable for the Games of the XXIInd Olympiad and the XIIIth Winter Games.

II. - Accreditations

The maximum figures established by the IOC for accreditations of various press personnel at the Games are as follows:

	O.G.	Winter
— five international agencies recognised by the IOC (including pool photographers)	300	200
— other press agencies	300	100
— daily newspapers and periodicals	2,500	1,000
— daily newspapers and periodicals of the host country (in addition)	300	200
— freelance journalists	100	50
— photographers	400	200
— film and television news agencies	100	50
— radio and television commentators	800	300
— radio and television technicians and staff	3,000	2,400
Total	7,800	4,500

What figures do you propose?

The following five international agencies are recognised by the IOC: AFP, AP, UPI, Reuters and Tass. They deal directly with the Organising Committee. Do you undertake to respect this clause? What working possibilities can you offer them?

Do you undertake to accept the accreditation of any journalist whatsoever as long as he is proposed by the NOC of his country?

Do you undertake to facilitate the work of the news media as far as possible within the limit of the demands of the organisation of the Games, particularly taking into account the working conditions of each category?

Can the journalists' free movement in the Olympic zone(s) and the free transmission of information be guaranteed?

In agreement with Mr. Edward Wlczorek, the International Olympic Committee has not renewed his contract with the IOC as Director of Olympic Solidarity. Consequently, Mr. Wlczorek ceased his activity within the IOC on 15th March 1977.

Mr. Giulio Onesti, in his capacity as Coordinator of Olympic Solidarity, has expressed his thanks to the Director. Edward Wlczorek, for the work he had achieved over the last few years. As Coordinator, Mr. Onesti has taken charge of all duties concerning the Olympic Solidarity programme, which will be discussed in detail at Abidjan during the meeting of the Commission for Olympic Solidarity to be chaired by Jonkheer Herman A. van Karnebeek.