

# Olympic Solidarity



## I. Olympic Solidarity In Mexico

Under the chairmanship of Lord Killanin, the meeting of the Commission for Olympic Solidarity took place on 12th and 13th April.

After approving the Coordinator's report for the past year it was decided to submit the following recommendations to the IOC during its Session in Athens :

- an exceptional grant of US\$5,000 to be made to those National Olympic Committees requesting it and which will later account for the use of this sum.
- Olympic Solidarity to pay the travel expenses and accommodation for 5 days of one delegate from each National Olympic Committee who will be attending the meeting in Puerto Rico (June 1979).
- a contribution by Olympic Solidarity towards the participation of athletes at the 1980 Olympic Games and Winter Games is being studied.
- a continental distribution of certain funds, as from 1979, is to be studied.

Messrs. Andrianov, Gafner, Onesti and Ritter have been charged with drawing up a text stating the aims and objectives of Olympic Solidarity.

The 1978 budget for Olympic Solidarity was examined and will become final once submitted to and approved by the IOC. Further information will be available in the next newsletter.

## II. 1978 International Olympic Academy

A certain number of scholarships will be awarded to participants at the 18th Session of the International Olympic Academy which will be held at Olympia from 6th to 22nd July 1978.

The interested National Olympic Committees should forward their requests, accompanied

*Lord Killanin, President of the IOC, in company with his host Mr. Mario Vázquez Raña, President of the ODEPA and of the NOC of Mexico, during the meetings in Mexico.*

by the biography of the candidate, to the Office of the Coordinator of Olympic Solidarity (c/o CONI, Foro Italico, Rome) by 15th June 1978.

## III. Athletics course - Sofia/Bulgaria

This course will take place from 18th September to 31st October 1978 ; it is limited to 30 French-speaking scholarship holders who have a good knowledge of the discipline in question and at least three years' experience.

The National Olympic Committees which have already been notified by circular letter have until 30th June to submit their candidatures.

## IV. Multi-sports courses in Mexico

From 4th August to 4th September 1978, courses in the following sports will be held in Mexico for technicians and physical education instructors from the American continent : athletics, basketball, football, gymnastics, weightlifting, judo, swimming and volleyball.

Olympic Solidarity, which is organising these courses in conjunction with the Mexican Olympic Committee, will make available 300 scholarships for foreign participants or those residing outside the metropolitan zone of Mexico.