



Decisions at the 87th IOC Session

In accordance with the recommendations of the Executive Board the Session ratified the following decisions :

● OCOG reports

Calgary: The length of the next Winter Games has been extended to sixteen days.

Curling, short-track speed-skating and freestyle skiing will appear on the programme of the XVth Winter Games, the first as a sport, and the latter two as demonstration events.

The decision concerning the introduction of a super giant slalom competition for men and women has been postponed until the 89th Session in 1985.

Los Angeles: Modifications to the opening and closing ceremonies having been approved, the LAOC will send the details of the scenarios planned for the Games of the XXIIIrd Olympiad, including the new arrangements, to the Executive Board before its next meeting in May 1984.

The Press Sub-commission will meet on 16th March 1984 in order to establish definitive accreditation quotas.

The *Sarajevo OCOG* was congratulated by the President of the IOC on behalf of the Session for all the work accomplished and the Seoul OCOG presented the members of its delegation, with whom the IOC would henceforth be working in preparation of the Games of the XXIVth Olympiad.

● "Olympic Charter"

The details of the modifications to the "Olympic Charter" approved by the Session are given on page 162. The new "Olympic Charter" lay-out will be included on the agenda of the 89th IOC Session in Berlin in June 1985.

● New NOC

The IOC Session proceeded to give official recognition to four National Olympic Committees : those of Bhutan, Rwanda, the Solomon Islands and Western Samoa.

● *The Olympic Order*

The different grades of the Olympic Order have been abolished. The Olympic Order will now be awarded without any differentiation between the bronze or silver. The Olympic Order in gold will still be presented under exceptional circumstances. The recent recipients of the Order are listed on page 164.

The Olympic Cup has been attributed to the Organising Committee of the First World Athletics Championships held in Helsinki in August 1983.

● *Reports from the Commissions*

The Medical Commission will go to Los Angeles to visit the medical facilities and the doping control laboratories. It is to prepare a detailed report on boxing at the Olympic Games for the 88th Session.

The *Cultural Commission* will produce a brochure explaining how to organise a National Olympic Museum.

The Commission *for the Programme* will present a new report during the 88th Session in Los Angeles.

During the Games this summer, the *Athletes' Commission* will have an information office at its disposal, to deal with its own activities.

Messrs. Cross and Kiyokawa respectively presented the *Television* and the *Press Commission* reports which were approved by the Session as were those of the *Finance Commission* and of the *Commission of New Sources of Financing*.

The Session decided to create a *Mass Sports Commission* which will be set up after the Games, and asked the *Eligibility Commission* to meet with Mr. Havelange, FIFA President, to discuss the subject of the 1984 Olympic football tournament.

After the *Commission for the Olympic Movement* had presented its report, the Session agreed that the Olympic Congress would take place for the first time outside Europe in Tokyo (JAP) in 1990.

The plans for the new IOC headquarters which will be built alongside the Chateau de Vidy were accepted. The 90th IOC Session will meet in Lausanne in 1986 and will then be able to assess the progress of construction work. The 91st Session will be held in Istanbul (TUR) in 1987.

● *International Olympic Academy*

The five new IOC members will visit Olympia this summer to attend the Academy's Session, as guests of the IOC.

● *Court of Arbitration for Sport*

The report presented by H.E. Mr. Keba M'Baye, President of the *Juridical Commission*, was approved and the nominations made by the Executive Board and the President of the IOC were confirmed.

Finally, the IOC members addressed a telegram to Lord Killanin, Honorary Life President of the IOC, wishing him a speedy recovery after the illness which had prevented him from attending the Winter Games.

Mr. Branko Mikulic, President of the Sarajevo OCOG, also sent his best wishes to Lord Killanin.

"At the moment when you hear the trumpets sound their fanfare signifying the formal closing of the XIV Winter Olympic Games, the thoughts of the people that have had the honourable task of fulfilling the Games will be with you. We don't have the right to evaluate our own work, but, if we base our performance on the opinion of the world press, news commentaries and the statements of the athletes, officials and visitors we may take the liberty to say that the trust that was given to us by the IOC and by you, the President, has been justified. I would like to express my regrets that you could not be here personally to witness the fruits of our labours, because of the immeasurable contributions which you have made by encouraging us with your support, advice and direction towards the successful fulfillment of the Games.

I sincerely hope that your health permits you to visit us soon and I would like to warmly thank you for all your help. My very best wishes to you and Lady Killanin."



The article by Gunther Sabetzki: "The Soviets, radiantly happy ice-hockey competition winners", arrived when The Olympic Review was under print. We shall publish it in the next issue.