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Lausanne - Tripartite Meeting

Following a request from the USSR NOC, H.E. Mr. Juan Antonio Samaranch, President of the IOC, convened a meeting on 24th April 1984 in Lausanne, presided over by himself and attended by the Vice-Presidents. H.E. Mr. Louis Guirandou-N'Diave. Mr. Alexandru Siperco and Mr. Ashwini Kumar, and by M^{me} Monique Berlioux, Director of the IOC, together with, on the one hand, the USSR NOC representatives Mr. Marat Gramov, President, and Mr. Anatoly Kolesov, Vice-President, and, on the other hand, the LAOOC representatives Mr. Ueberroth, President, Mr. David Simon, Vice-President, Mrs. Amy Quinn, News Secretary, and Mr. Jerry Welsh, consultant.

Due note was taken of:

- the USSR NOC's declaration to the effect that Soviet athletes have the firm intention of participating in the Games of the XXIIIrd Olympiad in Los Angeles if the conditions laid down in the "Olympic Charter" are enforced ;
- the declarations made by the LAOOC that the "Olympic Games" would be entirely respected during these Games.

Certain preparation and organisational aspects of the Summer Olympic Games liable to create misunderstandings and be prejudicial to the successful outcome of the Olympic Games were discussed.

Taking into consideration the explanations given and the declarations made by the Los Angeles Organising Committee with regard to the criticisms formulated by the USSR NOC, in compliance with the official rules of the "Olympic Charter" :

- the USSR NOC and any other NOC requesting it will have free scope to solve their problems relevant to the Olympic Games through the sole agency of the LAOOC, in particular with regard to the presentation of Olympic identity cards and the list of participants (as long as said list is received by the LAOOC by June 2nd, 1984) ;
- all members of the Olympic Family and accredited journalists will have free access to all competition and training sites, accommodation, etc... during the period of the Games and their preparation ;
- the rules governing the boats anchored in the port of Los Angeles and which will apply to the delegations at the Olympic Games will strictly conform to international regulations and the hospitality usually granted to Games participants.

Due note was taken of the declarations made at different United States Government levels that all people would be accredited according to the rules of the "Olympic Charter", and will have free access to the Olympic Games.

The LAOOC was asked to continue to pursue all possible efforts to respect the "Olympic Charter" in its entirety and to provide the optimal conditions for Games participants in all respects, and particularly those of security and safeguarding of their dignity.

Assurances were further exchanged to improve mutual communications so that problems could be resolved amicably in future, according to the rules of the "Olympic Charter".

The President of the IOC thanked the two delegations of the USSR and USA for their positive approach to resolve difficulties which had arisen. The Youth of the World needs to be reassured that everything would be done to strengthen the Olympic Movement and this great festival of sport, the Olympic Games.