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The International Co-ordination Committee of World Sports Organisations for the Disabled (ICC) was received by President Samaranch on the 10th of January at the Chateau de Vidy. This Committee represents four international organisations : the International Stoke Mandeville Games Federation (ISMGF), the International Sports Organisation for the Disabled (ISOD), the Cerebral Palsy International Sports and Recreational Organisation (CP-ISRA) and the International Blind Sports Association (ISBA). The delegation, led by Mr. Jens Brömann, Vice-President of the ISBA, was made up of Mr. G. Cabézas and Mr. G. Princivalle, President and Technical Director of ISOD, Miss J. Scruton, Secretary General of ISMGF and Mrs. Molendijk, Mr. Brömann's guide.

In his welcome to the Committee, Mr. Samaranch recalled that the purpose of this encounter was not only to take stock of the actions undertaken in 1984, but also to co-ordinate the efforts of everyone to facilitate the participation of the disabled in sports competitions in the years to come.



In the course of a small official ceremony at the temporary premises of the Olympic Museum, the President of the IOC, accompanied by Mrs. Monique Berlioux, Director of the IOC, presented to Mr. Raymond Gafner, IOC Member in Switzerland and delegate for the Olympic Museum, and Mr. Jean-François Pahud, Curator of the Museum, nine hundred and forty two original papers which belonged to the Baron Pierre de Coubertin. These documents, in thirteen files classified by name and arranged in chronological order, relate to the correspondence the restorer of the Olympic Games exchanged with a number of important personalities involved in the beginnings of the Movement: Presidents Vikelas and Edström, the Count de Blonay and the IOC Members who shared his views and his ideal of sport. These papers constitute an extremely important part of the correspondence of the Baron de Coubertin in view of their great historical interest.

H.S.H. Prince Rainier and H.E. Mr. Juan Antonio Samaranch, in the company of Their Highnesses Princess Caroline and Prince Albert of Monaco, speaking to journalists after the inauguration of the Louis II stadium.