

SPORT AT THE SERVICE OF PEACE

Ms. Anita DeFrantz, IOC member in the United States, coopted at the 91st Session, visited Moscow at the end of October 1986 to attend a seminar on the theme "Sport in the Service of Peace". In an interview with the sports journal "Sovietsky Sport", reported by the agency Tass, Ms. DeFrantz said that the main task facing the International Olympic Movement is to ensure all athletes have the opportunity to take part in the Olympic Games.

She expressed the belief that, with this in view, the IOC should promote more actively the Olympic ideals in all countries and should help National Olympic Committees. According to Tass, she pointed out the need for holding meetings as often as possible at which representatives of National Olympic Committees could jointly resolve their common problems.

The former rowing champion pointed out that the Moscow seminar was an important event and that, in her opinion, many of the reports contained constructive and concrete proposals, expressing the view that there could be no progress of the Olympic Movement without such discussions. On the issue of Soviet-American relations, she said that athletes were representatives of the people, and that the more often Soviet and American athletes met, the stronger mutual understanding between the two peoples would be.

q We are pleased to announce the birth of Mohamed Amine Zerguini, first grandson of Mr. Mohamed Zerguini, IOC member in Algeria. We send our warmest congratulations to the happy grandfather.

A future Olympic champion in the making?

