APPEAL FOR THE OLYMPIC TRUCE

A document in support of the appeal was signed by the members of the IOC Executive Board, the Presidents and Secretaries General of the Association of Summer Olympic International Federations (ASOIF), the Association of International Winter Federations (AIWF), the Association of National Olympic Committees (ANOC) and representatives of the 169 National Olympic Committees which took part in the Games of the XXV Olympiad in Barcelona in 1992.

Appeal for the Olympic Truce

The International Olympic Committee,

Considering the frequency of conflicts which seriously affect the lives and future of the youth of the world;

Faithful to the mission which it has assigned itself, namely to contribute to peace;
Anxious in this respect to restore the Ancient Greek tradition of EKECHEIRIA" or "Olympic Truce Pledge"

Calls on

- all States (their Heads, governments and assemblies);
- all international and national organizations;

to decide that:

- 1. During the period from the 7th day before the opening of the Olympic Games until the 7th day after the end of these Games, the "Olympic Truce" shall be observed;
- 2. During the Olympic Truce dedicated, as in Ancient Greece, to the spirit of brotherhood and understanding between peoples, all initiatives shall be taken and all group or individual efforts made to begin and continue to achieve by peaceful means the settlement of conflicts, whether or not of an international nature, with a view to establishing peace;
- 3. During the period, all armed conflicts, and any acts related to, inspired by or akin to such conflicts, shall cease, whatever the reason, cause or means of perpetration thereof.

Done in Barcelona, 21 July 1992