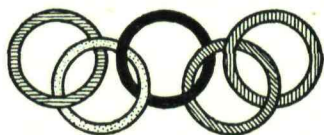


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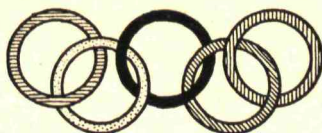
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The Olympic Games are a great international festival of the youth of the world which is made possible by the contribution of the services of thousands of amateur sportsmen, competitors and officials alike, from nearly every civilized country. It was never intended to be a money making enterprise, and any profits derived from holding the Olympic Games (after payment of all proper expenses in connexion with their organization) are paid to the National Olympic Committee of the country in which the Games are staged, to be applied for the promotion of the Olympic Movement or the development of amateur sport. There has in fact been little or no direct profit in most cities where the Games have been held. The intangible benefits, however, are incalculable. First, the pleasure enjoyed by the citizens of the community in acting as host for the greatest of all sport events. Second, the facilities provided for the Games become civic assets, which benefit succeeding generations.

Third, during the Games the fortunate city becomes the capital of the world of sports and the centre of attention of all sportsmen of every country.

The Olympic Games are under the control and direction of the International Olympic Committee (I.O.C.), which was originally created by the Baron de Coubertin, through whose efforts the Games were revived in 1896. The rules and regulations of the I.O.C. should be studied carefully before an invitation is submitted.

Invitations to stage the Games must come from the Mayor or highest authority of the city, and must be submitted in writing to the International Olympic Committee, Mon Repos, Lausanne, Switzerland, at least five years in advance. They must be endorsed by the National Olympic Committee of the country in which the city is located, and only one invitation may be submitted from a country. If there is more than one candidate the N.O.C. will choose the one whose invitation will be forwarded to the I.O.C. The N.O.C. will appoint the committee (after consultation with

the city authorities, who are entitled to representation thereon) which will organize the Games. Invitations must have the approval of the Government of the country in which the city is located in order to assure its cooperation in staging the Games successfully. Invitations must state that no political demonstrations will be held in the stadium or other sport grounds, or in the Olympic Village, during the Games, and that it is not the intention to use the Games for any other purpose than for the advancement of the Olympic Movement.

The Games of course must be conducted according to the rules of the International Olympic Committee, and the programme is subject to its approval. All technical arrangements must follow the regulations of the respective International Federations.

The Games shall be conducted in a dignified manner and without excessive commercial exploitation. Commercial installations and advertising signs shall not be permitted inside the stadium or other sport grounds.

Under existing rules the following sports are obligatory :

Athletics - Gymnastics - Boxing - Fencing - Shooting - Wrestling - Rowing - Equestrian Sports - Modern Pentathlon - Cycling - Weightlifting and Yachting.

A fine arts programme must also be organized.

The following sports are optional :

Football (association and rugby) - Polo - Water polo - Hockey on grass - Handball - Basketball - Canoeing and gliding.

The programme for the Winter Games may include :

Skiing - Skating - Ice hockey - Bobsleighing - Luge and Curling.

The following requirements have to be met by the Organizing Committee :

All National Olympic Committees recognized by the I.O.C. have the right to send participants to the Games. No discrimination is allowed against any country on grounds of religion, colour or politics.

The Olympic Games must be staged in a dignified manner as an independent event and not be in connexion with any other enterprise such as a fair or exhibition. No other major sport events should be scheduled during the period of the Games.

Adequate facilities must be provided for all the sports on the programme to the satisfaction of the respective International Federations, and they

must include sufficient practice grounds. An Olympic Village for men and one for women, exclusively for competitors and officials from all different countries, must also be provided. Complete restaurant and other necessary services must be arranged. (The daily charge to be paid by the teams for food, lodging and local transportation, to be approved by the I.O.C., shall be kept as low as possible.) All these facilities and the Villages must be conveniently located, preferably together.

A stadium with satisfactory artificial ice must be provided for the Winter Games.

On the completion of the Games a full and complete printed report must be submitted to the I.O.C.

A complete photographic record of the Games must be made as provided in Olympic Rules No. 59.

Special efforts must be made to reduce travelling and housing expense for competitors and officials, and to prevent overcharging visitors. A reasonable tariff for hotel rooms shall be established and guaranteed, if possible.

The price of admission tickets shall be kept as low as possible, in order to encourage a large attendance.

Seats must be reserved for members of the I.O.C. (in the main stadium in a separate enclosure), officials of National Olympic Committees and International Federations, and others, as provided in Olympic Rules No. 58. Local transportation for competitors and officials must be provided free of charge.

Adequate arrangements must be made for the press, television and the radio.

The results of each event must be communicated daily to the I.O.C., the press and the radio. Announcements must be made on the scoreboard and in the daily programme that the Games are events for individuals and that there is no scoring by nations.

Satisfactory meeting rooms, equipped with simultaneous translation apparatus, must be provided for the International Olympic Committee and for the International Federations. During the period of the Games a fully staffed office must be provided for the I.O.C. Olympic Rules No. 22 must be respected.

Any receptions, dinners or entertainment provided for competitors or officials must be approved by the I.O.C. and should avoid the period of the Games.

Invitations must be accompanied by answers to the attached questionnaire. Invitations will be considered by the International Olympic Committee, which selects the City which it believes can organize the Games with the most benefit to the Olympic Movement.

Questionnaire

- A) Certain sports are obligatory, others are optional. Which sports do you propose to include in the programme ?
- B) The Games are confined to 16 days. Please give dates which you propose.
- C) Have you an organization with sufficient experience to run the Games in your city ?
- D) What facilities for the Games (stadia, arenas, pools, practice fields, etc.) are there at present in your city? All facilities should be reasonably close together and convenient to the Olympic Village. A plan of the city showing locations should be provided.
- E) If these facilities are insufficient, will others will be provided ; where and when ?
- F) Have you studied the official reports of previous Games and are you prepared to stage the Games equally well ?
- G) Are there any laws, customs or regulations in your city or your country that would limit, restrict or interfere with the Games in any way ?
- H) What sort of Olympic Villages will be provided and where will they be located ?
- I) How will the Games be financed ? How much money will be required and who will provide it ?
- J) Please provide general information about your city, its size, population, climate (temperature and rainfall), altitude, and all reasons why it should be considered as a site for the Olympic Games.
- K) What accommodation is there for visitors ?
- L) Have other important international events been organized in your city ?
- M) Will you guarantee that the Games will be conducted properly and in accordance with Olympic rules and regulations, if they are awarded to your city ?

