

The 83rd IOC Session principal decisions

The following were the principal decisions reached at the 83rd IOC Session held at the House of Unions, Moscow, from 15th to 18th July 1980.

It should be noted that decisions relating to the elections and to the Olympic awards are dealt with on pages 401 and 417 respectively.

Members

- Resignation accepted from Prince Gholam Reza Pahlavi. Previous decision regarding lapsed membership cancelled.
- No new IOC members to be elected until the next Session.

Congress

- The Olympic flag to be the only flag hoisted at the Congress in Baden-Baden in 1981. The Tripartite Commission to be informed of this decision.

Games of the XXIIIrd Olympiad in Los Angeles

- The emblem and mascot of the Los Angeles Organising Committee were approved.

XIVth Winter Games in Sarajevo

- The Sarajevo OCOG to submit a concise report to the meeting of the Executive Board which is due to take place early in 1981 giving fully detailed information on the following questions :
Accommodation for the members of the Olympic family; costs per room, transport arrangements and meeting facilities ; number of seats reserved for each site ; scenarios of the opening, closing and medal ceremonies ; accommodation and equipment at the Olympic village.

- A map to be prepared indicating road improvements.
 - Date of the IOC Medical Commission meeting to be co-ordinated between the IOC Secretariat and the Sarajevo OCOG.
- Security measures with regard to access to hotels to be further discussed.
- IOC to be informed of all marketing contracts entered into by the OCOG before their signature.
 - Last paragraph on Page 58 of the Sarajevo Report concerning doping control and femininity tests to be corrected to read : "in accordance with the instructions of the IOC Medical Commission".
 - The questions raised on the report of the Sarajevo OCOG to the 83rd Session to be confirmed in writing.

Programme

1. IOC Recognition

- World Taekwondo Federation granted IOC recognition.

2. Sports and events accepted for inclusion

Games of the Olympiad

Cycling :

- Women's cycling, with one road event and a maximum of 3 competitors per NOC, to be included in the 1984 programme.

Gymnastics :

- Rhythmic gymnastics, with one event (combined individual with one medal) and two competitors per NOC, accepted.

Swimming :

- Three deleted events (women's and men's 200 m medley and men's 4 x 100 m relay) reinstated.
- Synchronised swimming, with one event (duet), two competitors and one reserve per NOC, accepted.

Shooting :

- Air rifle, standard smallbore rifle (3 positions, 3 x 20 shots) and match pistol accepted as separate women's events.
Mixed participation in the trap and skeet events only accepted.

Yachting :

- Board sailing, with one entry per NOC, accepted.

Olympic Winter Games

Skiing :

- Women's 20 km cross-country event accepted.
- Alpine combined event to be studied by the Programme Commission.

3. Sports and events not accepted for inclusion

Canoeing :

- Canoe slalom rejected

Judo :

- Women's judo not accepted at this stage

4. Other decisions concerning the programme

- Demonstration sports rejected.
- Programme Commission to continue study of the application for the inclusion of tennis in the 1988 programme.
- In swimming - number of entries per event and per NOC reduced from three to two.
- Open category in men's judo deleted.

Future host cities

- Host cities for the 1988 Winter Games and the Games of the Olympiad to be elected in 1981 at Baden-Baden.

Emblems

- Executive Board to discuss use of Olympic emblems by candidate cities

Rule changes

Rules :

- Amendment to Rule 20 accepted to read as follows :
“The President may submit a resolution (other than a change of rule for which Rule 22 applies) to the members by post in case of urgency. The ballot paper shall not contain any words other than those required to state the question. If a majority of those who reply vote in favour of the resolution and not less than half the members plus one in all vote, the resolution is carried. The result shall be reported to the IOC at the next Session”.
- Rule 57 accepted in principle, subject to revision of wording by the Executive Board and the IOC legal advisers, to read as follows :
In order to further the development of sports which are not included under Rule 47, the IOC can give recognition to the appropriate International Federations, provided their sports comply with the criteria in the bye-law.

The recognition of International Federations is aiming at the inclusion on the programmes of continental and regional games, receiving patronage of the IOC in accordance with Rule 56.

Bye-law :

- *Bye-law to Rule 57 - Criteria for recognition of other sports - accepted to read as follows :*
 1. Any IF applying for the recognition of its sport has to comply with the general IOC Rules and bye-laws.
 2. IFs which also govern the professional side of their sports must have a separate body, controlling non-professional world, continental, regional or other international championships.
 3. The sport should serve the harmonious physical and moral development of abilities of men and/or women, as well as involve a great deal of physical activity.
 4. Those sports are desirable in which achievements can be assessed with a minimum of human error.
 5. Sports in which the athletes are able to train and compete under similar conditions (equipment, grounds, etc.) should be encouraged.
 6. Sports in which the quality of the construction of equipment tends to give a special advantage to some athletes, not available to others, should not be encouraged.
 7. Sports depending on mechanical propulsion are not acceptable.
 8. The staging of a sport should not involve excessive expenses and major organisational difficulties connected with equipment, venues and technical officials.
 9. A sport applying for recognition should not be similar to another sport which has already been recognised by the IOC.
 10. Only sports conforming to Rule 46 may be accepted.

