



INTERNATIONAL  
OLYMPIC  
COMMITTEE

**To the speakers, guests  
and participants of the  
XIII Olympic Congress**

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Dear Sir/Madam,

We are pleased to send you the publication entitled "XIII Olympic Congress – Copenhagen 2009 – Follow-up".

This publication follows "XIII Olympic Congress: Contributions" and "XIII Olympic Congress: Proceedings" and represents the conclusion of a process lasting from 2007 to 2011 which comprised the virtual Olympic Congress, the Olympic Congress in Copenhagen and the implementation of the Congress recommendations.

Since the end of the Congress, most of the recommendations have been implemented. The purpose of this publication is therefore to provide a progress report on the work already done for each of the recommendations.

We wish you 'happy reading'!

More information about the XIII Olympic Congress is available on the IOC website [www.olympic.org](http://www.olympic.org).

Please do not hesitate to contact us again for any further assistance.  
Yours faithfully,

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Director General

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# THE STRUCTURE OF THE OLYMPIC MOVEMENT

FOLLOW-UP OF THE RECOMMENDATIONS



## RECOMMENDATION NO. 29

The relevant intergovernmental organisations and governments should acknowledge the necessary and essential autonomy of the Olympic Movement including, in particular, respect for and enforcement of the rules of good governance, equality and fairness in sport and sports administration, as established by the Olympic Movement and set out in the Olympic Charter, to ensure the best and fairest possible practice of sport.

THIS RECOMMENDATION HAS BEEN STUDIED BY THE WORKING GROUP UNDER THE LEADERSHIP OF THE EXECUTIVE BOARD.

### IMPLEMENTATION

a) Rule 2 of the Olympic Charter has been amended.

#### Olympic Charter amendments:

#### 2 Mission and Role of the IOC

The mission of the IOC is to promote Olympism throughout the world and to lead the Olympic Movement. The IOC's role is:

[...]

5. to take action to strengthen the unity of the Olympic Movement, to protect its independence and to preserve the autonomy of sport;

b) All constituents of the Olympic Movement should ensure that there is a legal basis in order to be able to take measures and sanctions to ensure full respect of the autonomy of sport.

c) The solidarity between the IFs, NOCs and IOC should be reinforced.

d) The IOC will maintain the current level of information-sharing with the stakeholders and provide the tools to enable them to raise the awareness of their respective public authorities regarding the importance of the autonomy of the Olympic and Sports Movement.

## RECOMMENDATION NO. 30

The preservation of human dignity is a fundamental tenet of the Olympic Movement. All members of the Olympic Movement should work together in pursuit of the harmonious development of men and women in order to promote through sport a peaceful society based on the most fundamental common principles and values inherent in a civilised society.

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### IMPLEMENTATION

a) The IOC will intervene at the OCOG level in the event of serious abuse, such as:

- Mistreatment of people displaced due to Olympic venue construction;
- Abuse of migrant workers at Olympic venue construction sites;
- Child labour;
- Improper restrictions on the media's freedom to cover the Games, including cultural aspects.

b) The IOC will establish a system for correctly identifying and dealing with "legitimate complaints" from official sources.

c) The IOC will not intervene in non-sport human rights issues.

d) The leverage that the IOC has towards the Organising Committees for the Olympic Games (OCOGs) should be determined. This might lead to amendments to the Host City Contract and documentation for Bid Cities.