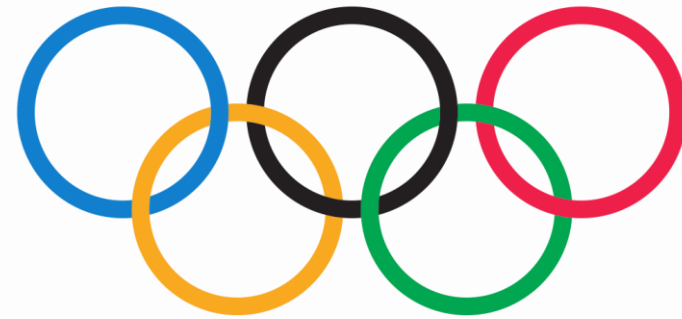


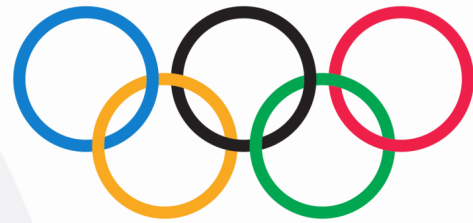


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HISTORIC DECISION

Tokyo 2020 was delayed for one year to safeguard the health of the athletes and the hundreds of thousands of people involved in the Games.

Thanks to:

- Tokyo 2020 Local Organizer
- 206 National Olympic Committees (NOCs)
- All Summer Olympic International Federations (IFs)
- IOC Athletes' Commission and the continental athletes' commissions



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CORONAVIRUS CRISIS MANAGEMENT

This new situation will need all our solidarity, creativity, determination and flexibility.

Extension of **1600 OLYMPIC SCHOLARSHIP** athletes worldwide and the IOC Refugee Team for 2021.

“EXTRAORDINARY CIRCUMSTANCES CALL FOR EXTRAORDINARY MEASURES.”



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"HERE WE GO"

TASK FORCE "HERE WE GO" PRIORITY

Safe environment with regard to health for all participants.

Taking the recommendations of **World Health Organisation (WHO)** concerning potential adaptations to the organisation of mass gatherings.



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OLYMPIC GAMES AS:

- Festival of unity for humankind, and a symbol of human resilience to overcome this coronavirus crisis.
- A powerful signal of hope.

The **Olympic Flame** can be the light at the end of the dark tunnel that humankind currently finds itself in.



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ECONOMIC IMPACT

It is impossible that the economic crisis does not reach the NOCs, Sports Ministries, Sponsors and consequently the National Federations. And that is why we must be ready to make a more efficient use of limited financial resources.

We will all need to take a close look at the scope of some of our activities and make the necessary adjustments to the new realities. In this context, **the UWW administration has reduce salaries by a 50% to all its staff for now.**



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Olympic Games are building bridges for everybody without any kind of discrimination; and that therefore the **Olympic Games** as this unique sports, cultural and social event should be beyond any political or other divisive considerations.



THANK YOU!



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