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Introduction

The IOC Evaluation Commission (the Commission) for the XXI Olympic Winter Games in 2010 is pleased to present the results of its evaluation of the three Candidate Cities for these Games. Listed in alphabetical order, these cities are PyeongChang (KOR), Salzburg (AUT) and Vancouver (CAN).

Eight cities initially put forward an application to host the 2010 Olympic Winter Games: Andorra La Vella (AND), Bern (SUI), Harbin (CHN), Jaca (ESP), PyeongChang (KOR), Salzburg (AUT), Sarajevo (BIH) and Vancouver (CAN). The eight cities were assessed by a group of experts who presented a report to the IOC Executive Board. On 28 August 2002, the IOC Executive Board selected four cities as Candidate Cities for the XXI Olympic Winter Games in 2010: Bern, PyeongChang, Salzburg and Vancouver. On 22 September 2002, the City of Bern withdrew its candidature following a referendum.

Through new initiatives introduced by the IOC (observer programme, seminars, access to the IOC's Transfer of Knowledge Programme), the 2010 bid cities have had more information and expertise available to them than ever before. The Commission notes that this is reflected in the quality of the three Candidate City proposals. The high quality of both the Candidature Files and the presentations made to the Commission during its visits, has greatly assisted the Commission in its assessment of each city's proposal and in the preparation of this report.

The 2010 Evaluation Commission is composed of representatives of all components of the Olympic Movement: the IOC, IFs, NOCs, athletes, IPC, former organisers of Olympic Games and specialists (see Appendix A).

The Commission has carried out a detailed technical analysis of the three Candidate Cities to

assist the IOC in the important decision of electing the Host City and to underline the challenges that could be faced in each of these cities in the seven years leading up to and including the 2010 Olympic and Paralympic Winter Games.

The Commission's task is a technical and fact-finding one: to verify the information stated in the Candidature File, to determine whether proposed plans are feasible and to make an overall risk assessment.

The Commission followed the same working procedures in each Candidate City: briefing sessions were held on all 18 themes of the IOC Candidate City Manual, and visits were made to each of the proposed venues.

The Commission has taken into consideration all information received up until its departure from the respective cities. The Commission's report reflects the unanimous opinion of its members.

In carrying out its evaluation, the Commission wishes to draw attention to the following:

1. Dates of the 2010 Olympic Winter Games

Further to a request made by the IOC, each of the three Candidate Cities have expressed their agreement to host the 2010 Olympic and Paralympic Winter Games one week later than proposed by the cities, if required.

2. Olympic Village

Although the IOC adheres to the principle of one Olympic Village for the Games of the Olympiad, the Commission acknowledges that the complexity and geographical/topographical constraints of organising Olympic Winter Games makes it

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practically impossible for any city to propose one Olympic Village. The Commission considers that the needs of the athletes are best met by ensuring short travel distances from the venues to a village.

3. Accommodation

The IOC requires Candidate Cities to guarantee:

- 20,000 rooms
- a USD room rate in 2010 dollars for the Olympic Family
- a USD room rate calculation in 2010 dollars for other constituent groups.

4. Technology

The Commission has not commented on technology in the individual city reports as it considers that each of the three countries in question has a modern technology structure and service system and that technology systems in the three Candidate Cities will be adequate to host the Olympic and Paralympic Winter Games in 2010.

5. Public opinion

As additional background information, the IOC conducted its own opinion poll in the Candidate Cities and respective countries in November-December 2002. The results of this poll can be found in Appendix C.

As is the case with each edition of the Olympic Games, letters of protest are addressed to the Commission. The Commission received requests to meet with representatives of such protest groups during its visits to Salzburg and Vancouver, to which it agreed. The Commission noted the concerns raised, which centred mainly around environmental and social aspects.

6. Maps

A map of each city's project is included in Appendix D. This map, taken from each city's Candidature File, will assist readers in appreciating each city's overall concept and to situate the venues.

The Commission's report is presented on a city-by-city basis, in alphabetical order. The reports are followed by an overall summary of each city, also in alphabetical order.

Appendices

- A. Commission members
- B. Visit dates
- C. Summary of IOC opinion poll results
- D. Maps
- E. Abbreviations
- F. Signatures



Candidate Cities

