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2010 Youth Olympic Games

Dear Mr Smith,

Following the meeting of the IOC Executive Board in Lausanne on 10 December 2008, we are pleased to announce that the programme and the qualification systems for the Youth Olympic Games (YOG) have been approved.

For your information, please find enclosed the documents which were approved by the EB:

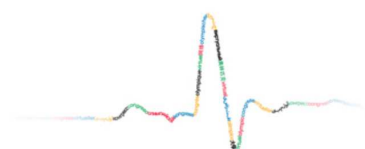
- The YOG 2010 Programme
- The YOG Qualification System Principles
- The summary table of all 2010 Qualification Systems
- Your detailed Qualification System
- The allocation procedure for NOC Universality Places

These documents will shortly be available for all NOCs on the NOC extranet and can therefore be circulated to your NFs as of now. As per the Olympic Games, please note that any further changes made to your detailed qualification system must be submitted to the IOC which, following approval, will publish the updated version on the NOC extranet.

We take this opportunity to sincerely thank you for the innovative, constructive and collaborative approach you have taken in working with us on the development of the sports programme and the qualification systems for the YOG.

We are convinced that this programme symbolises very well the spirit of the Youth Olympic Games and will allow for the best athletes of each country in their age category to share a unique experience, both from a sporting and cultural standpoint.

We look forward to working with you over the coming months as we move towards the first edition of this unique event.



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Please do not hesitate to contact us should you require any additional information in this respect.

Yours sincerely,

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Christophe DUBI
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Encl.

cc: Ms Colleen ORSMOND, Events Coordinator, FISA
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Mr Essar GABRIEL, Head of Youth Olympic Games, IOC