COMITÉ INTERNATIONAL DES SPORTS DES SOURDS

MINUTES

CISS 28th CONGRESS

LOS ANGELES, USA 8-9 July 1985

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01. WELCOME SPEECH

Mr. Herb Schreiber, Chairman of the Los Angeles Organizing Committee, 15th World Games for the Deaf, welcomed the Executive Committee and the Delegates from the countries present and expressed his wishes for a successful Congress.

President J.M. Jordan also welcomed the Delegates and asked all to make clear and short talks to save time.

A special welcome was made to the Honorary Member, Carl-Eric Martola, and a former Executive Committee member, Dr. Dragoljub Vukotic.

Apologies were sent by the Honorary Member, Mr. Antoine Dresse, and the 1st Vice-President, Mr. Friedrich Waldow.

Some remarks were made about the persons, who passed away since the last Congress: Mr. J.P. Nielsen, Honorarry Member of the CISS; Mr. E.Ledermann, President of the Swiss Deaf Sports Ass'n, and Mr. H. Schaufelberger, founder of the Swiss Deaf Sports Ass'n. One minutes silence was observed in memory of these persons.

02. AN ADDRESS BY THE PRESIDENT

President J.M. Jordan spoke briefly about the International Coordinating Committee (ICC) established to give four handicapped organizations a platform to work from. He will, however, say more about this later (point 07).

03. CONFIRMATION OF THE POWERS OF THE DELEGATES

A list of all Delegates is enclosed per appendix 1. All powers were approved.

04. APPOINTMENT OF THREE SCRUTINEERS.

The following three scrutineers were appointed;

- * Ole Artmann DEN
- * Bill Davidson USA
- * Sue Bailey CAN

05. CONFIRMATION OF THE MINUTES OF THE 27th CONGRESS

The minutes of the 27th Congress of the CISS in Madonna di Campiglio, Italy, 15 and 16 January, 1983, were approved without any comments.

06. ADMISSION OF NATIONAL ASSOCIATIONS

- 6.1. Hong Kong Deaf Sports Federation was unanimously admitted as new member of the CISS.
- 6.2. Korea Deaf Sports Association was unanimously admitted as a new member of the CISS.
- 6.3. Cyprus Athletic Union of the Deaf was unanimously admitted as a new member of the CISS.

- 6.4. **Kuwait Club of the Deaf** was admitted as a new member of the CISS provided the following conditions were fulfilled:
- * The Statutes must be included a sentence that there will be no discrimination on account of races, etc.
- *The Statutes must also be included to show that a majority of the board members are deaf.

07. THE REPORT COVERING THE PERIOD JANUARY 1983 TO JUNE 1985

President Jordan informed the Congress about the ICC, an organization established by four international handicapped groups:

- * International Blind Sports Association (IBSA)
- * The Cerebral Palsy International Sports and Recreation Association (CPISRA)
- * The International Sports Organization for the Disabled (ISOD) and
- * The International Stoke Mandeville Games Federation (ISMGF).

The chairmanship of the ICC will rotate among the four organizations. The ICC has had some negotiations with the International Olympic Committee (IOC) who wished to have one organization to talk with instead of more organizations.

President Jordan had a one hour meeting with the IOC-President, J.A. Samaranch in March 1985 and Mr. Samaranch recommended that the CISS join the ICC. Mr. Jordan does not like to do so but he felt strongly that if the CISS is to get the necessary support from the IOC as well as the sports world as a whole, we had to join the ICC.

However, it may be remembered that we can, at any time, leave the ICC and go back to the situation as it is now.

Mr. Haas explained that he had the information in Netherland that if his country was awarded the Olympic Games in 1992 it is their intention to have the World Games in Netherland, but the Dutch would only support this if the World Games for the Deaf were held the same year and not in 1993 as it should be.

 $\underline{\text{Mr. Abraham}}$ suggested that a decision of joining the ICC or not should be postponed until later in the day. $\underline{\text{Mr. Kliewer}}$ supported this idea which was accepted by the Congress.

Secretary-General <u>Sondergaard</u> informed the Congress of his experiences at the IFSD meetings where the four organizations forming the ICC also have a seat. He would recommend that the CISS join the ICC to have our influence within the ICC and not outside.

Mr. Grajek was of the opinion that the 60 years experience of the CISS had to be taken into consideration. The other disabled groups had strong influence and get much money. But the deaf had nothing to do with these organizations. He could not support the suggestion to join the ICC.

Ms. Ammons explained about her experiences in USA where the AAAD was invited to join the handicapped organization as the USOC demands that. Her experience was that thedeaf had a strong organization while other handicapped groupos had weak organizations. The deaf is better organized than other handicapped and they had to talk for themselwes.

 $\underline{\text{Mr. Nordentoft}}$ was of the opinion that all must be equal so the others not could "beat" us.

Mr. Kjoede asked if the CISS could manage the ICC ?

President <u>Jordan</u>: No - all organizations are autonomous and the chairman of the ICC changes from meeting to meeting.

Mr. Penacoba: Spain must join the other handicapped groups or they would get no financial support.

After lunch the ICC-question was put on the table again.

Mr. Giuranna proposed that we join the ICC and if things goes wrong we could windraw from it.

President <u>Jordan</u> added to his first speech with more information. The four organizations (if we join, five) are equal around the table and one had not more to say than the others. The World Games for the Deaf would continue independently as now. We could help other - but they also may be able to help us!

 $\underline{\text{Mr. Haas:}}$ It is impossible to see what the future will bring us. With more money we would be able to work better.

Mr. Roose explained the situation in Belgium with two official languages and the problems they have as there is two sports organizations. Suggested that we join now.

Ms. Robinson: The same problem in Canada with two languages.

President Jordan concluded the discussion and a vote was taken:

Fort the proposal of joining the ICC: 44 votes - 6 against - 8 abstaining from vote. The CISS now will work to join the ICC.

Secretary-General <u>Sondergaard</u> asked the Congress if there was no other questions and problems to discuss after two years work. It seems that all found the work of the CISS satisfactory!

Mr. Haas claimed that the draw for the groups for the final rounds in Los Angeles in Denmark on 4th May was postponed and then made on 6th May. They had to cancel their tickets without being able to attend the draw later on.

 $\underline{\text{Mr. Kliewer}}$ also claimed that the draw was made so quickly after the information that it was postponed. He would like to have attended the draw.

Secretary-General <u>Sondergaard</u> explained that on the deadline, 1st May, for the final registrations of teams, there was no answer from 22 teams. He then had to cancel the draw on 4th May and as only Italy and Federal Republic of Germany had advised of their intentions he simply sent a telegram to inform them of the cancellation.

2nd May he got a call from Holland who also was informed of the cancellation. On 4th May two Italians showed up as they did not get the telegram before their departure (Mssrs. Giuranna and Zanatta). On 4th May only two countries have not registered, USA and Venezuela. As no more show up on 6th May they discussed the case and decided to make the draw in the evening at the deaf club in Copenhagen.

It was obvious that USA would enter but with regard to Venezuela there was two draws in the sports where Venezuela had a team.

Mr. Sondergaard found that he was forced to do so and he alone was responsible for the decision. Furthermore, as he had to leave for Los Angeles on 19th May he had to have the draw ready before this date.

President <u>Jordan</u> found that not all associations were effective in their correspondence with the CISS. If all worked quickly and answered questionnaires, entered teams and athletes on time, the secretary would have an easier work. It has to be remembered that the CISS does work on voluntary basis.

08. SUBMISSION OF THE BALANCE SHEET, RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES ACCOUNT FOR THE YEARS 1982, 1983 AND 1984

Secretary-General and Treasurer <u>Sondergaard</u> explained that he had to put three years together to save space in the Bulletin. Furthermore, the CISS seems to be rich now but as much of the incomes in 1984 were received late the Executive Committee had not had possibility to discuss how to use a part of the capital.

Mr. Haas requested to have the signed accounts present.

 $\underline{\text{Mr. Sondergaard}}$ apologised for not bringing the accounts with him but promised to do so at the next Congress.

09. VOTE ON APPROVAL OF THE ACCOUNTS

The accounts for the years 1982 to 1984 were unanimously approved.

10. SUBMISSION OF FINANCIAL ESTIMATE

Secretary-General Sondergaard told the congress that because it was unknown how much the CISS would receive from the IFSD, it was only possible to made an approximate financial estimate for the coming years.

The Congress took note of the explanation and had no comments.

11. APPOINTMENT OF AN HONORARY AUDITOR

Mr. Ole Artmann, Denmark, was re-appointed as an Honorary Auditor for the CISS.

12. CONSIDERATION OF PROPOSALS FOR ALTERATION OR ADDITIONS TO THE STATUTES

1. Eligibility code (new)

President <u>Jordan</u> explained that according to the present Article, which follow the IOC Regulations, men and women are not equal in the eligibility code when changing citizenship.

The Executive Committee had discussed the proposal and would make another proposal:

- Only by changing his/her passport would an athlete be eligible to start for his/her new country.

It will be much easier to control this than having more complicated rules.

The proposal was unanimously approved.

2. International competitions (addition)

After short comments from President <u>Jordan</u> and <u>Mr. Haas</u> the proposal was unanimously approved.

2.a. International competitions (addition)

Secretary-General Sondergaard explained that an approval of this proposal would lead to more work for the secretary. He found that the best way to avoid problems was to have allinvitations to all international meetings forwarded through the national associations. It then would be possible for the associations to have a control of all invitations.

Ms. Robinson said that the Canadian proposal was made because they have received some invitations to meetings arranged by non-affiliated associations (an invitation to a judo contest was mentioned).

If all meetings were to be approved by the CISS in advance it would be easier to know if the competition was official or not.

Mr. Grajek: It is no problem in Poland but he would propose that no authorizations should be given at all.

 $\underline{\text{Mr. Wermouth}}$ explained that the mentioned judo contest was not approved by the French association.

Mr. Abraham should like to have the present rule remain unchanged.

With only 3 votes for and an overwhelming number of votes against, the proposal was rejected.

13. CONSIDERATION OF PROPOSALS FOR ALTERATION OR ADDITIONS TO REGULATIONS

3. Recognition of World Records

Mr. Kjoede promoted the proposal and added that the age for juniors should be 20 and not 19.

Ms. Ammons: USA has no age records and she would not support the proposal.

Mr. Abraham too could not support. Besides it would give more work to the Secretary-General.

Vote: 13 for - 27 against. The proposal was rejected.

The proposal of keeping World Records for **skating** was, however, unanimously approved.

4. Control and sanctions (addition)

The proposal was unanimously approved.

5. and 6. Eligibility (alteration)

President <u>Jordan</u> put the two proposals into one as they were almost like. After the <u>1981</u> Games in Cologne the results of the hearing tests was put into a computer. Only 2 per cent, or less than 30 athletes, had a hearing loss between 55 and 70 dB. Furthermore, no one country was especially bad with many athletes having this mild hearing loss.

It must also be taken into consideration that some athletes have problems if they may not wear hearing aids.

Mr. Edwall found that approval of the proposal would mean that the deaf world would be more bad than before. He could not approve and wish that the present rule remain unchanged.

 $\underline{\text{Ms. Ammons}}$ found that 55 dB + hearing aid mean almost a hearing person. Athletes must be allowed to wear hearing aids.

Mr. Nordentoft: CISS proposal is more kind than the Danish proposal and Denmark therefore withdraw their proposal.

Mr. Colarossi wish that it is forbidden to wear hearing aids. Swimmers are not able to wear them.

Mr. Weltner: Table-tennis players with hearing aids have a great advantage during play. Athletes should not wear hearing aids.

Mssrs. Haas and Kliewer: Follow Ms. Ammons.

Mr. Nordentoft: Feel that most is for 55 dB. Explained that some athletes could not compete without hearing aids.

Mr. Faustinelli: If some have difficulties to put off their hearing aid they must practice without before competing.

Mr. Abraham: The same question has been discussed for years. Did not wish any change in the present rule.

President <u>Jordan</u> once again explained the motive for proposing a change in the hearing limit. 70 dB seems more real, 55 dB is like a hard of hearing. We also found that only a few athletes are below 70 dB.

Vote: 5 for - an overwhelming votes against. The proposal rejected.

7. Program (alteration)

 $\underline{\text{Mr. Colarossi}}$ supported the proposal and said that CISS have other sports than the IOC (Olympic Program). If the entries was made two years before the Games it was possible to see how many would enter a new sport.

Mr. Laursen did not support as new sports must be approved by the Congress.

Mr. Kliewer found it impossible to support the proposal.

Secretary-General <u>Sondergaard</u> informed the Congress that we already have 8 to 10 sports that may appear as possible new sports on the World Games program. Another question is if you will attend the World Games even if your country practices a sport not on the present program?

Vote: An overwhelming majority against the proposal - rejected.

8. Addition of new sports

Mr. Gardiner: Slo-pitch should be a demonstration sport only in New Zealand.

Mr. Kjoede: Norway does not have ice-hockey herself but would like to have this sport on the program in 1987.

President <u>Jordan</u>: The CISS Statutes say that a new sport must be practised in 12 countries for Summer sports and 6 countries for Winter sports before it can be put on the program of the Games.

An survey show that:

- judo was practised in 5 countries, karate in 7 countries, diving in 4 countries and ice-hockey in 2 countries.

The proposals of addition of new sports to the Games program could not be put to an vote as they did not fulfill the regulations.

However, ice-hockey may be a demonstration sport in 1987 if Norway desires.

9. Addition of new events on the Summer program

The proposal approved with 28 votes for and none against.

14. MOTIONS FROM THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE AND THE AFFILIATED ASSOCIATIONS (OTHER THAN STATUTES AND REGULATIONS)

10. European Deaf Sports Organization (EDSO)

 $\underline{\text{Mr. Haas}}$ spoke on the proposal. The EDSO was established in Antibes (FRA) 1983 and its purpose was to work more for the European affairs so the CISS could help other parts of the world. The EDSO could take over the responsibilities for the European Championships.

Mr. Kliewer: Netherland wish to help the CISS and the EDSO will work under the CISS. If the Statutes for the EDSO can't be approved they will be changed. The greatest problem for more years have been the many European Championships held in one single year. These championships must be spread over years between the World Games.

Mr. Gardiner would like to hear the opinion of the Executive Committee.

 $\underline{\underline{Mr. Abraham}}$; The proposal is OK but the problem will be the finances. It is impossible for several countries to pay to the CISS as well as the EDSO. He asked the Executive Committee to find a solution on this problem.

Mr. Vukotic feel that it was a delicate problem and could not be clear of why there must be a separate organization as EDSO. It was important that the establishment of the EDSO would improve the deaf sports.

Ms. Ammons: Why is the Executive Committee quiet in this question? With 45 member associations more than 50 per cent are Europeans. This could mean that the EDSO later would hold European Championships rather than go to the World Games.

Mr. Haas: USA as well as Canada are afraid that the EDSO will be over the CISS but this was not true. The World Games will of course go ahead the European Championships. However, some sports are not on the program of the World Games and here the EDSO could promote these by arranging European Championships.

 $\frac{\text{Mr. Nordentoft:}}{\text{CISS!}}$ The proposal mean that the EDSO will be independent from the

 $\underline{\text{Mr. Kjoede:}}$ It is felt that the EDSO will help the CISS. He would support the proposal.

Mr. Grajek: With the EDSO CISS could pay more attention to rest of the World. He found that the only problem is the finances. However, his country would follow the decision taken.

Mr. Haas: It is a mistake that the word "independent" appears in the proposal and it should be deleted. The problem of finances must be discussed after the establishment of the EDSO.

President <u>Jordan</u> then would like to give the Opinion of the Executive Committee:

- * If the proposal is approved the Executive Committee would not be disturbed but the EDSO will have to follow the wishes and instructions of the Executive Committee.
- * Europe is a big part of the CISS. We already have small confederations in America and Asia who are working to promote deaf sports where it is clearly felt that the EDSO will control the deaf sports.
- * The Executive Committee will be glad if the EDSO will help the CISS but we can do the same without the EDSO.
- * The problems with the many European Championships can be avoided by making a schedule. Unlike before 1983 the CISS now has power to manage these championships.
- * The Executive Committee are of the opinion that we do not need the help of the EDSO. It is only the secretary that has heavy workload. The other ECmembers would be able to work for European affairs.

The proposal then was put to a vote: 38 votes for and 4 against - the proposal was adopted.

Mr. Haas thanked all for their support.

11. World and European Championships, etc.

Mr. Haas supported the proposal by explaining about the European Championships in bowling last year. Would propose a time limit to avoid problems.

Secretary-General <u>Sondergaard</u> found that it is necessary with a fine to avoid such problems. As an example some countries would have to be sent home here in Los Angeles if we had strong rules.

Vote: 35 votes for - none against. Approved.

12. Dresse and Maere Cup

Secretary-General Sondergaard explained about the proposal.

Vote: 33 votes for - none against. Approved.

15. DETERMINATION OF SUBSCRIPTION AND AUTHORIZATION FEES, ETC. 1986-87

The whole proposal of unchanged fees, etc. for 1986 and 1987 adopted by an overwhelming number of votes.

16. QUESTIONS ABOUT THE AFFILIATED ASSOCIATIONS.

16.1. German Democratic Republic.

President <u>Jordan</u> informed the Congress that the GDR, some months ago, asked for an authorization for a big meeting in athletics and table-tennis only one month before the World Games with participation of several countries not taking part in the World Games.

We did not like this but had no other alternative but to give the authorization as the CISS Statutes does not prevent a such meeting close to the World Games. The Executive Committee would like to propose an addition to the Statutes so that it will be forbidden to hold a great meeting a period before and after the World Games.

Mr. Kliewer asked if the authorization fee is paid for the meeting - Yes!

 $\underline{\text{Mr. Haas:}}$ There was the same problem at the Olympic Games in 1984. Must be avoided by a rule.

The President could note that all supported a such proposal but had to wait until the next Congress where proposals may be suggested.

Ms. Ammons and Mr. Grajek asked for more information about the problem.

President <u>Jordan</u> explained once again what happened and would add that the proposal not was against some other countries but because the CISS found that it should not be allowed to have big meetings at all shortly before the World Games, especially when some of the countries in question would not participate in the Games.

A change in the Statutes could, however, not be made before 1989 but a concultative referendum would be of interest for the Executive Committee.

A vote show 46 votes for an none against so the Congress was in favor of the proposal.

16.2. Federal Republic of Germany

President Jordan informed the Congress about a delicate problem.

In January 1984 a letter from Federal Republic of Germany to the CISS claiming that the organizers of the 15th World Games was making profit of the price for accomodation was sent in copy to all European Associations.

At the Executive Committee meeting in Amsterdam, May-June 1984, the Executive Committee had a long discussion on this matter as the assertion was not true and the President of the FRG, Mr. F. Waldow, promised to send an apology to all European Associations to "wash the hands clean". This has, however, not been done, and the Executive Committee was angry about this.

Mr. Kliewer explained that he and Mr. Jordan had meet four weeks ago and that they had talked about the problem. The reason for sending out a copy of the letter wa the fact that the organizers in 1981 promised that the price would not be higher than 20 USD per day but now is was 34 USD a day. The claim was not against the CISS.

Secretary-General Sondergaard was, however, not satisfied as it had not been necessary to send a copy of a letter to the CISS to all European countries.

17. REPORT FROM THE ORGANIZING COMMITTEES OF THE NEXT WORLD GAMES

17.1. 16thWorld Games 1989.

Mr. McRae gave some information about the 16th World Games:

The Games will be held 7 to 17 January 1989 in Christchurch, 11 days as now. Reservations of two sites for accommodation have been made.

All sites for the Games are close to these accommodation places.

The approximate price for accomodation at the two sites reserved will be 20 to 25 USD per day for two meals and beds.

A poster was presented after having been approved by the CISS.

 $\underline{\text{Mr. Weltner}}$ asked if it was possible to provide cheap transport to New Zealand and $\underline{\text{Mr. Colarossi}}$ would like to be sure that the price would not rise as has been the case in Los Angeles.

Mr. Grajek could remember that in 1983 the price were 15 USD, already now a bit higher!

17.2. 11th Winter Games 1987.

Mr. Kjoede with assistance of Mr. Erichsen and Mrs. Vestli gave a brief report of the sites for the various events of which the cross country races would be the same as the World Championships in Oslo 1982.

Even if it is expensive in Norway the Organizing Committee would do their best to get as cheap as possible accommodation, etc.

The hotels would be near the centre of teh Games but more information will be sent out about 8 months before the Games which is to be held 7 to 17 February 1987.

Some questions were answered and then some pictures from Oslo were shown on an overhead projector.

18. REPORT FROM THE 10TH WINTER GAMES FOR THE DEAF

Mr. Colarossi referred to the written report which have been sent out together with the Agenda for the Congress. Would be happy to answer any questions.

The report was recognized without any comments.

19. DESIGNATION OF THE PLACE FOR THE 12TH WINTER GAMES 1991

Mr. Gardiner was sorry to have to inform the Congress that due to unavailability of financial support, Canada had to withdraw her application for the 1991 Winter Games.

President <u>Jordan</u> had then to conclude that there was no application for the 1991 Winter Games and that the Executive Committee had to look for a host for these Games.

20. ELECTION OF FOUR EXCUTIVE COMMITTEE MEMBERS

According to the CISS Statutes nomination of candidates for the election to the Executive Committee had to be sent in three months before the Congress and there were received five nominations which were put to vote. The result of the vote was as follow:

- John M. Lovett	AUS	53 votes - elected for four years
– Harry Förster	FRG	53 votes - elected for four years
- Jo-Anne Robinson	CAN	52 votes - elected for four years
- Kazimierz Diehl	POL	39 votes - elected for four years

These four candidates get a majority, more than half of the votes present (62 votes).

- Wai-On Light HKG 26 votes - not elected.

21. WORLD AND REGIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS, ETC.; 1986 TO 1988

Secretary-General <u>Sondergaard</u> informed the Congress that as the EDSO now is a reality the proposed <u>European</u> Championships have to be discussed within the EDSO and that several changes in the applications received may be made and as the Dresse and Maere Cup now had to be played in 1987, it was not possible to

inform the Congress about the championships the next years. Instead a list would be printed in one of the coming Bulletins.

22. MISCELLANEOUS

22.1. New bank account

Secretary-General Sondergaard gave the information that a new bank account had been established in order to save commission by payment to the CISS. The number of the account will be printed in the Bulletin.

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22.2. 17th World Games

Mr. Haas informed the Congress that if Netherland would be awarded the Olympic Games in 1992 they would apply for the World Games for the Deaf but the Dutch autorities demanded that these Games be held in 1992 and not in 1993 as prescribed in the CISS Statutes. It would, however, then be 3 1/2 year after New Zealand, so it may be acceptable.

The President: No, we must follow our Statutes. The hearing people must be aware of that!

22.3. Regions

2nd Vice-President Lovett informed the Congress that the Executive Committee would like to propose that all member associations are placed in regions and that the Executive Committee had a proposal which could be put into the Statutes. It was, however, too late at this Congress but will be proposed in 1989. The list of all member countries was formed in this way:

Europe

Venezuela

Austria Belgium Bulgaria Cyprus Czechoslovakia Denmark Finland France Fed. Rep. of Germany German Democratic Rep.	Great Britain Greece Holland Hungary Iceland Ireland Israel Italy Norway	Portugal Spain Sweden Switzerland Turkey U S S R Yugoslavia
German Democratic Rep.	Poland	

Pan America Asia/Pacific

Brazil Canada Colombia Costa Rica	Australia Bangladesh Hong Kong India	*	Japan Korea Kuwait New Zealand
Mexico			
Uruguay			
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South Africa is not included in this list as this country not may participate in any international competitions.

22.4. "Skating steps"

Mr. Grajek asked if the new skating steps in cross skiing is allowed within the CISS.

Mr. Edwall answered that the CISS follow FIS and there is not yet taken any final decision of this question.

22.5. Honors of athletes

 $\underline{\text{Mr. Weltner}}$ asked if the CISS would honors athletes having taken part in 5 World Games.

President <u>Jordan</u> answered that the Executive Committee would discuss this question. It was possible that a diploma or a plaque would be offered to athletes having taken part in several World Games.

22.6. Qualification rounds

Mr. Gardiner would like that the regulations for the qualification rounds be more clear and that the associations would follow the rules. It should not appear again what happened before Los Angeles, and he also asked if another country could take the place of a team withdrawn.

Secretary-General <u>Sondergaard</u> replied that it was true that the qualifying rounds for Los Angeles had given much trouble and that the Executive Committee was planning to make the rules more clear. A home team should offer more than one date for the matches or the CISS could fix the dates - that would be easier for all!

It was not possible to let Canada take the place of USSR as was proposed. Other teams that lost qualifyings would say the same. Furthermore, most countries withdraw so close to the Games that it would be impossible to make replacement as most countries need to get financial support and this was not possible.

23. AWARD OF THE RUBENS-ALCAIS STATUETTE AND THE CISS MEDALS

The Rubens-Alcais Statuette was awarded to SVERIGES DOVAS IDROTTSFORBUND (SWE) to honor the excellent work made the last two years.

(The Secretary was sorry to report that he had forgotten the diploma at home).

The CISS medals were awarded:

GOLD:

Knud Sondergaard

SILVER:

John M. Lovett

BRONZE:

Thomas Berg USA György Weltner HUN

(TD for athletics for many years)
(TD for table-tennis for many years)

Herb Schreiber USA

(Chairman of the Organizing Committee 1985)

24. CONCLUSION - CLOSING SPEECH

President <u>Jordan</u> thanked all Delegates for their good work and for having followed the Congress with great interest.

Closed the Congress with the words: SEE YOU AGAIN IN NORWAY 1987.

Reporter: Knud Sondergaard

APPENDIX 1

DELEGATES TO CISS 28TH CONGRESS:

01.	AUS	Brian W.Bernal	David F. Peters
02.	BAD	H. Rashid Khan	Muhammad J. Uddin
03.	BEL	Eugenie Fraiture	Emmanuel Rossel
04.	CAN	Robin Buckry	Terry Gardiner
05.	COL	Maria T.Barreneche	ž.
06.	DEN	Hardi Nordentoft	Børge Laursen
07.	ESP	Jose L. Penacoba	Juan Jose Cappellan
08.	FIN	Jarmo Narmala	
09.	FRA	Joseph Wermouth	Isabelle Malaurie
10.	FRG	Hubert Wilhelm	Werner Kliewer
11.	GBR	Roland Haythornthwaite	Joseph Goulding
12.	HKG	Wai-On Light	Even Zia
13.	HOL	H.J. Haas	B. Boeve
14.	HUN	Felix Abraham	György Weltner
15.	IRL	Sean Kelly	Kevin Lynch
16.	ISR	Nissim Zabbar	Kaicof Ghidon
17.	ITA	Carlo Colarossi	Sebastiano Manciagli
18.	JPN	Shozaguro Takeshima	Masao Komai
19.	KOR	Ki Chang Kim	Ki Bom Kim
20.	MEX	Patricia Sanabria Ramos	Eugenia Rivera Lara
21.	NOR	Odd Landehagen	Knut B. Kjöde
22.	NZL	John Patrick McRae	Margaret Coutts
23.	POL	Mieczyslaw Grajek	
24.	POR	Antonio M.C. Ribeiro	Antonio J. de Jesus
25.	SAF	C.R.Heyns	E.W.Kleinschmidt
26.	SUI	Klaus Notter	Stephane Faustinelli
27.	SWE	Lennart Edwall	Sivert Engdahl
28.	USA	Lyle G.Mortensen	Donalda Ammons
29.	VEN	R.Ramos	Yamite Esteves
30.	YUG	Dragoljub Vukotic	

Executive Committee:

President Jerald M. Jordan
2nd Vice-President John M. Lovett
Secr.-Gen. Knud Sondergaard
Member Maria De Bendeguz
Kazimierz Diehl
Armando Giuranna
Boudewijn De Roose

Technical Delegates:

Barbara Sondergaard
Betty Shrine
Richard Caswell
Jan Rydicher
Marzio Zanatta
Jo-Anne Robinson
Howard Gorrell
C.E. Scheepstra
Marco Lue

Guest:

Honorary Member Carl-Eric Martola Honorary Auditor Ole Artmann Chairman Herb Schreiber

Sessions:

1st session 8 July 09.25 to 11.30 28 countries (absent: COL, VEN) 2nd session 8 July 13.05 to 16.25 29 countries (absent: COL) 3rd session 9 July 09.05 to 11.10 30 countries

The following 13 member associations did not participate in the Congress: AUT -BRA - BUL - CRC - GDR - GRE - IND - ICL - IRN - TCH - TUR - URS - URU.