Information Letter n°6-08 30 April 2008

2008 Beijing Olympic Games

a) Qualifications

b) Clothing

LETTRE D'INFORMATION DE LA FIE

Dear Mr/Madam President,

Please find attached the list of the teams and individual athletes who have qualified for the 2008 Olympics through:

- the individual AOR in green in column Q (=Qualification)
- the individual AOR by zone in pink in column Q
- the zone-qualifying events in yellow in column Q

In accordance with the 2008 Beijing Olympic Game qualification criteria, the National Federations concerned have **until midnight** (Lausanne time) on 31 May 2008 to confirm to the FIE that the participation of each qualified fencer and team has been approved by their respective NOC.

As of the 2 June 2008, the FIE will reallocate the places which have not been confirmed by the NOCs.

Athletes

The National Federations who have qualified are requested to send us, in .jpeg format and in colour, the logos of their national clothing for the **Beijing Olympic Games** before **1 July 2008**, **last deadline**, and only via electronic mail (info @fie.ch).

Coaches and team captains

The Olympic Games, like the World Championships, have a high media profile and therefore great care must be given to the image of fencing during these events. All our officials, coaches and team captains, must wear the correct outfits.

<u>It has therefore been decided (with immediate application) that at</u> the Olympic Games and World Championships:

The coach and the team captain must therefore wear their team's national tracksuit or wear a suit.

c) Entries

Oris is in charge of managing the results for the 2008 Olympics and will use the FIE's entries files and xml files for competition management purposes.

Consequently, the entries by name of the athletes and teams participating in the Olympics must be done following the usual procedure on the FIE website.

In order to help the National Federations, the FIE will directly enter the athletes in the individual competitions. The National Federations concerned will have to enter, by name, the members of their qualified teams on the FIE website before 30 June 2008.

d) Athlete cards

In order to meet the many requests from the press, we urge the National Federations concerned to complete the cards of their qualified athletes, mentioning in particular whether the athlete is right-handed or left-handed.

Sincerely,

