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**Letter from the President of International Olympic Committee (IOC) to the President of the Olympic Committee of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea**

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**Summary:**

Letter from the President of the IOC, Juan Antonio Samaranch, to the President of the DPRK's NOC, Kim Yu Sun, acknowledging receipt of Kim's July 7, 1988, letter.

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Dear Mr. President,

May I acknowledge with thanks your letter of 7th July 1988, which has only just arrived at the IOC headquarters in Lausanne today.

First of all, I should like to express my appreciation for your kind words in recognition of the many efforts which the IOC is making in order to try and find a solution which would ensure the largest possible success of the Games of the XXIVth Olympiad.

I also appreciate receiving your explanation regarding the declaration of your Vice President in Berlin, as I had previously been unable to understand this.

As you well know, and I have reiterated this fact on many occasions now, we are still looking forward to working with you in order to find a possible solution and maintain the important and historical offer made by the IOC on 16th July 1987. I am sure that I do not need to stress, however, that time is running out very rapidly, thus making it increasingly more difficult to find a viable agreement.

Yours sincerely,  
Juan Antonio SAMARANCH