

From: Andrew Jennings
Sent: 17. octobre 2009
To: Mark Adams
Subject: Message to President Rogge

Hello Mark – please could you pass this message to President Rogge. Thank you

Dear President Rogge, Dear Jacques:

You will recall that during your end of Congress press conference at the Bella Center you undertook to make inquiries and discover who was responsible for accrediting Jean-Marie Weber.

Please will you inform me of the name and maybe organisation that nominated him. And who scrutinised and approved his application.

And thank you for your kind words in your press conference.

Best wishes,

Andrew Jennings

From: Mark Adams
Date: 2. Nov 2009
To: Andrew Jennings
Subject: RE: Message to President Rogge

Dear Andrew - apologies for the delay, the President has been travelling so much I have virtually not seen him since Copenhagen. I passed your request on to him - and here is his response. Hope it helps:

You will appreciate that with the thousands of people who were accredited for the Congress in Copenhagen - many of them at the last moment - it is difficult to get you 'chapter and verse' on who approved Mr Webber and under what circumstances. It seems that it was a last minute accreditation by the accreditation team in Copenhagen and that many people were accredited in the last few days before the Congress on the grounds that they had strong connections with the sporting community.

I hope this helps.

Regards

President Rogge

From: Andrew Jennings
Sent: 22. November 2009
To: Mark Adams
Subject: Message to President Rogge

Hello Mark:
Please would you pass this to President Rogge.

Dear President Rogge, Dear Jacques.

I was astonished by your letter to me of 2 November in which you stated that you are unable to discover who authorised accreditation of the notorious Jean-Marie Weber for the IOC Copenhagen Congress and Session.

All of us who received accreditation know that the IOC used a sophisticated security system, recording considerable data about our applications. Surely it would only take seconds to search your computer database and find the name of the guilty person who slipped him in.

Perhaps I can assist your inquiries: If you visit the website of the African Football Confederation (CAF) you will discover that Mr Weber is currently retained as a 'consultant.' One possible explanation is that his accreditation was vouched for by IOC member Issa Hayatou, president of CAF. If you check the following link you will find confirmation of their close relationship:

<http://www.cafonline.com/caf/organization/standing-committees/45-marketing-committee.html>

It would seem to many people that you and the IOC have been let down badly by who ever facilitated Weber's accreditation. Let us never forget that Weber admitted in the criminal court in the Swiss canton of Zug on Wednesday 12 March, 2008 that he had paid the astonishing amount of US\$100 million in bribes to sports officials in return for lucrative marketing and TV contracts. This has been widely reported. I was in court and can confirm that Weber made this startling admission.

It is also the case – this was published in a highly critical article in the reputable Brazilian newspaper *O Estado de São Paulo* on 19 July 2009 - that Mr Weber was welcomed into the IOC

headquarters at that time with the Rio bid team.

In Copenhagen your most senior IOC member Joao Havelange, who led the Rio bid, was photographed enthusiastically shaking Mr Weber's hand after winning the vote for 2016. Mr Havelange has been reported as one of the largest recipients of bribes from Mr Weber's ISL sports marketing company.

Please will you ask your staff to check more assiduously and provide you with the information about who enabled Mr Weber to access the Congress and Session?

If the IOC desires reporters – and the world – to believe it has overcome its corruption problems, the IOC must demonstrate that it takes firm action on outrages like this. Can you also give an assurance that you will ban Weber from attending any IOC-related function in the future?

I look forward to your response. In the interests of transparency I think it appropriate to publish this correspondence before Christmas.

Yours faithfully,

Andrew Jennings

From: Andrew Jennings
Sent: 27 décembre 2009
To: Mark Adams
Subject: Jean-Marie Weber

Dear Mark:

I am disappointed that I have not received a reply to my letter of November 22 (five weeks ago) to President Rogge. His reluctance to order a search of your computer records to discover who authorised the accreditation of bribe-payer Jean Marie Weber to the IOC's Copenhagen Congress and Session sends a clear signal that corrupt people are still welcome at the IOC.

There were several hundred reporters at President Rogge's final Copenhagen press conference and they noted his commitment to me to find out how Weber had been accredited. I have discussed President Rogge's subsequent lack of action, transparency and openness with several colleagues and their response can be summarised as: 'Nothing has changed at the IOC. There was no real desire to reform after the Salt Lake scandal. They circle the wagons and arrogantly ignore allegations about their probity.'

President Rogge claims that it is impossible to reveal who authorised Weber's accreditation. This is not credible. It is unbelievable that in this age of terrorism and heightened security you could not find out with a few keystrokes.

Your suggestion that Weber's accreditation was 'last minute' is also hard to accept. Weeks – or months - earlier somebody must have reserved a room for him in the Marriott hotel, the exclusive domain of the IOC and its guests and friends.

There will be a paper and electronic trail from whichever of your members sponsored and protects Weber through the IOC's computers and onwards to the hotel.

I ask President Rogge to change his mind and authorise a search of your database, extract the information, name whoever vouched for Weber and report them to the IOC Ethics Commission for bringing the IOC into disrepute.

As for Mr Weber, what explanation can there be for the IOC

continuing to welcome a man who admitted in a Swiss court last year that he had paid US\$100 million in bribes to sports officials?

Many will think that the IOC risks an attack of the 'Watergate Syndrome' – where a minor crime escalated into a scandal because officials rushed to cover up, not investigate.

I look forward to your response.

Yours faithfully,

Andrew Jennings

From: Mark Adams
Date: 8 January 2010
To: Andrew Jennings
Subject: RE: Jean-Marie Weber

Dear Andrew,

Apologies for the delayed response – but you can imagine that the break has delayed things somewhat.

In response to your suggestion that the accreditation of Mr Weber was somehow a pre-meditated, long planned act that somehow sends “a clear signal that corrupt people are still welcome at the IOC,” this is simply not the case.

We have absolutely no reason to think other than that this was a last minute accreditation among the thousands of accreditations for the Congress, admittedly one that should not have happened. For this reason we see no reason to be opening a full scale enquiry into something which is at worst an administrative error. However, it is clear that if procedures had been followed Mr Weber would not have been accredited and we will certainly make sure that Mr Webber does not again receive accreditation for IOC events.

Regards

Mark