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## **XXI ANOC GENERAL ASSEMBLY**

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### **REPORT BY THE ANOC VICE PRESIDENT FOR THE AMERICAS**

In the period since the ANOC Assembly held in Washington, D. C., in October 2015, the Pan American Sports Organization has carried out important activities, among which we may highlight the following:

#### **1. PASO Workshop**

On October 30<sup>th</sup> and 31<sup>st</sup>, the Pan American Sports Organization held its First Workshop, in which its 41 member National Olympic Committees were represented. In this event, important aspects regarding PASO's future were discussed, as well as its Statute, structure and administration, finances, the PASO brand, its mission, its direction in close collaboration with the IOC and ANOC and the importance of the IOC's Agenda 2020. Important agreements were taken in this Workshop, on which we continue working.

#### **2. First PASO Continental Athletes Forum**

Last May, the First PASO Continental Athletes Forum was held in Miami, counting with the participation of 39 National Olympic Committees, as well as representatives from the IOC and ANOC Commissions. This event was held with the purpose of exchanging experiences, finding better communication channels and train the participants by providing them available tools to continue developing both within and outside the field of play, as well as to improve athlete representation within their respective countries. Important recommendations were raised in this Forum and are already being put into practice.

### 3. PASO Programs to support the NOCs

Throughout this stage, PASO continued supporting its member Olympic Committees with Continental Programs, which will conclude next December.

One of PASO's main objectives for the 2013 – 2016 quadrennial was the preparation of athletes through the approved programs, which were adjusted to each Olympic Committee's needs. These were the following:

- High Level Technical Courses Program
- Continental Scholarships Program
- Special Program for the Preparation of Athletes

After analyzing each of them, we may confirm the High Level Technical Courses Program for coaches of various sports was completed as foreseen.

A total of 48 courses on 33 sports were held in 11 countries, with the attendance of 1,840 participants; of them 1,604 coaches and 236 experts.

A summary was made from surveys to the participants and various suggestions will prove useful as feedback for future PASO Programs.

The Continental Scholarships Program was carried out throughout one year. This Program provided great possibilities to athletes and coaches from the various Olympic Committees to be housed at High Level Training Centers not only to train, but also to participate in competitions with athletes from other countries.

Chile, the United States and Mexico welcomed athletes from different countries. A total of 186 athletes of 18 different sports and 19 countries of the Americas were benefited through this program.

The participating Olympic Committees have sent PASO a report on each sport included in the Program and an evaluation on the activities carried out.

Through the Preparation of Athletes Program, assistance provided to the NOCs has surpassed previous sages. With its own funds, the Pan American Sports Organization has provided an important amount of money to its Olympic Committees towards their athletes' preparation for the last Toronto 2015 Pan American Games, as well as the recently concluded Olympic Games "Rio 2016".
















It is important to reiterate that the use of these funds has been carried out with a great sense of responsibility, control and transparency. Each Olympic Committee has fulfilled the requirement of submitting Financial Reports, justifying the resources received under this concept.

If we had to evaluate this support provided by PASO to its NOCs in a qualitative and a quantitative manner, we would say it was well done and has multiplied, for the benefit of everyone. This was demonstrated by the results obtained by the "Toronto 2015" Pan American Games athletes and the recently concluded "Rio 2016" Olympic Games. At the Pan American Games in Toronto 2015, 9 more medals were won in comparison to "Guadalajara 2011".

#### 4. "Rio 2016" Olympic Games

For the first time in South America, an Olympic Games were held, thrilling all of us and leaving a great legacy for the country. Exciting competitions, a large number of volunteers and Games that defended diversity and the environment held in a country member of PASO.

At the Rio Olympic Games, the countries of the Americas won 14 medals more than in the London Olympic Games; of them, 9 more gold, 3 more silver and 2 more bronze.

#	Country	LONDON 2012				RIO 2016			
		Gold London	Silver London	Bronze London	Total London 2012	Gold Rio	Silver Rio	Bronze Rio	Total Rio 2016
1	 United States (USA)	46	29	29	104	46	37	38	121
2	 Brazil (BRA)	3	5	9	17	7	6	6	19
3	 Jamaica (JAM)	4	4	4	12	6	3	2	11
4	 Cuba (CUB)	5	3	6	14	5	2	4	11
5	 Canada (CAN)	1	5	12	18	4	3	15	22
6	 Colombia (COL)	1	3	4	8	3	2	3	8
7	 Argentina (ARG)	1	1	2	4	3	1	0	4
8	 Bahamas (BAH)	1	0	0	1	1	0	1	2
9	 Puerto Rico (PUR)	0	1	1	2	1	0	0	1
10	 Mexico (MEX)	1	3	3	7	0	3	2	5
11	 Venezuela (VEN)	1	0	0	1	0	1	2	3
12	 Grenada (GRN)	1	0	0	1	0	1	0	1
13	 Dominican Republic (DOM)	1	1	0	2	0	0	1	1
14	 Trinidad & Tobago (TRI)	1	0	3	4	0	0	1	1
15	 Guatemala (GUA)	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0
<b>Total</b>		<b>67</b>	<b>56</b>	<b>73</b>	<b>196</b>	<b>76</b>	<b>59</b>	<b>75</b>	<b>210</b>

Countries like the United States, Brazil, Canada and Venezuela improved their total number of medals won, in comparison to the previous Olympic Games.

We share with Brazil, Jamaica, Canada, Colombia, Argentina and Puerto Rico the joy of winning a larger number of gold medals in Rio 2016 than in London 2012.

The United States, Brazil, Venezuela and Grenada increased their number of silver medals, while the United States, Canada and Venezuela improved their previous record of bronze medals.

We would like to congratulate the Rio 2016 Organizing Committee for the wonderful Games they hosted.

## **5. Other activities**

The work carried out by the Commission in charge of preparing the amendment proposals to the PASO Statute has continued and the process is in its final stage of approval. The new Constitution was submitted to the IOC and ANOC, recommendations were received, which have been included in the document. The final version will be submitted to approval here in DOHA.

PASO approved as well its Code of Ethics at the Extraordinary Assembly held in Brasilia last May.

The Legislative Commission worked on the PASO Compliance Policy Draft, to be submitted to the General Assembly that will be held in Doha next November 17<sup>th</sup>.

PASO is preparing to carry out in Lima, in 2019, a Pan American Games that are better than previous editions. To his end, it is working in coordination with the Peruvian Olympic Committee and the Organizing Committee, directing all efforts towards said objective.

We may assert the results of this quadrennial have been satisfactory; we have fulfilled the objectives set by our Organization, aware that our work may be improved and that further results may be achieved. We are focusing our work to that end.

We would like to express publicly to Dr. Thomas Bach, IOC President, our gratitude and recognition to the Agenda 2020 initiative and the importance of carrying it out, for the benefit of our NOCs and their athletes.

PASO expresses its gratitude to the ANOC President, Sheikh Ahmad Al-Fahad Al-Sabah; to Mrs. Gunilla Lindberg and the ANOC staff for all their support and work to hold this meeting.

We are grateful as well for the work carried out by the Olympic Solidarity Headquarters' team in Lausanne, particularly by its Director, Mr. Pere Miró, for the efficiency and collaboration spirit demonstrated in each action and activity carried out.

Thank you all very much!

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**(At the end of the report, a video of outstanding athletes of the countries of the Americas in the Rio Olympic Games will be projected)**