

Africa and the XXIst Olympiad

1. NOCs which participated in the Olympiad celebration:

Ivory Coast Senegal

2. NOCs which actually withdrew:

Algeria	Libya
Cameroon	Mali
Chad	Morocco
Congo	Niger
Egypt	Nigeria
Ethiopia	Sudan
Ghana	Swaziland
Guyana	Togo
Upper Volta	Tunisia
Iraq	Uganda
Kenya	Zambia

3. NOCs entered, but which did not arrive for various reasons:

Gabon	Gambia
Madagascar	Malawi
Tanzania	Zaire
Central African Republic	

4. Sports affected by withdrawals and numbers of competitors involved (see also our final table):

Athletics	173
Basketball	14
Boxing	90
Cycling	31
Fencing	1
Football	51
	(9 matches cancelled)
Handball	15
Hockey	16
	(5 matches cancelled)
Judo	11
Wrestling	13
Swimming	2
Shooting	5
Volleyball	13
Weightlifting	6
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5. Replies to circular 4800 of 16th August from African and other NOCs:

Kenya: Government instructions to withdraw.

Nigeria: NOC withdrew.

Tanzania: in compliance with the Organization of African Unity (OAU), resolution 24-29th June 1976 calling on all OAU members to boycott Games (resolution attached Annex 2).

Zaire: not due to political considerations, but to national priority needs re finance.

Tunisia: have requested CSSA for information concerning withdrawals.

Algeria: Government interventions to withdraw.

Uganda: not a result of political pressure but a fight against apartheid in sport.

Swaziland: withdrawal done without reference to NOC.

Guyana: not motivated by political pressure. Decision taken by NOC re participation of New Zealand.

Iraq: withdrawal by NOC as act of protest on sports relations New Zealand-South Africa.

El Salvador: non-participation due to purely technical aspects and for lack of necessary funds.

Letters of withdrawal to the Mayor of the Olympic Village

Cameroon: reason - racial segregation.

Congo: no reason given.

Libya: no reason given.

Mali: no reason given.

Niger: no reason given

Togo: no reason given.

Egypt: "For private reasons".

Ethiopia: protest re sports relations New Zealand - South Africa.

Ghana: Protest at New Zealand's participation in the Games.

Upper Volta: due to refusal of IOC to exclude New Zealand from the Games.

Sudan: due to participation of New Zealand in the Games.

Chad: Government intervention.

Zambia: Government instructions to withdraw.

Countries which withdrew, sports affected and number of competitors involved in each sport

Sports and number of competitors involved															
	Athletics	Basketball	Boxing	Cycling	Fencing	Football	Handball	Weightlifting	Hockey	Judo	Wrestling	Swimming	Shooting	Volleyball	Total
Algeria	7		1	5	1			2							16
Cameroon	3		4	6						4					17
Chad	2														2
P.R. Congo	8														8
Egypt		14	6					2			6			13	41
Ethiopia	20		6	6											32
Ghana	18		7			17									42
Guyana	7		5	3						2					17
Iraq	2		1					2			2		1		8
Kenya	36		8						16				4		64
Libya			4	3							1				8
Mali	1									1					2
Morocco	4		6							4	4				18
Niger			3												3
Nigeria	20		8			17						1			46
Sudan	10														10
Swaziland	1		3												4
Togo	7		6	4											17
Tunisia	4		3				15					1			23
Upper Volta	4		4	4											12
Uganda	17		8												25
Zambia	2		7			17									26
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