

APPENDIX

January 31, 1973.

City of Montreal

The Right Honourable
Pierre Elliott Trudeau
Prime Minister of Canada
Parliament Buildings
Ottawa, Ontario.

Re: 1976 Olympic Games

Office of the Mayor

Montreal 127

February 1, 1973

The Right Honourable
Pierre Elliott Trudeau
Prime Minister of Canada
Parliament Buildings
Ottawa, Ontario
Mr. Prime Minister:

Dear Mr. Prime Minister:

Following upon our previous discussions, I wish to inform you that the City of Montreal and the Organizing Committee for the Olympic Games have assured the Government of Quebec that the revenues received by COJO will cover its expenses and that no direct contribution will be required from the federal government provided that the federal government acts upon the request of the City of Montreal and COJO concerning the special issues of stamps and coins during the period indicated by them.

I understand, moreover, that the federal government is studying in concert with my government, the City of Montreal and COJO the best way of acting upon the request of the City of Montreal and COJO concerning an annual lottery.

Taking into account the benefits and advantages that the holding of the Olympic Games will produce not only for the City of Montreal itself but also for all of Quebec as well as all of Canada, the government of Quebec gives its support to the holding of these games provided the federal government accedes to the requests of the City and COJO that I have just mentioned.

The government of Quebec agrees that the federal government will not have to assume the interim financing of costs relative to the 1976 Olympic Games throughout the period leading up to and including the holding of the Games.

Provided that the federal government agrees to remit to COJO the net proceeds of the sale of special Olympic coins and stamps, the government of Quebec also agrees that the federal government will not be called upon to make any special contribution towards the payment of any or all expenses incurred in connection with the Olympic Games of 1976 and which would be in excess of the net proceeds mentioned above and of revenues from other sources.

Yours truly,
Robert Bourassa
Prime Minister of Quebec

Confirming repeated discussions, I am pleased to inform you again that the City of Montreal intends to stand upon the position it adopted from the outset of efforts which resulted in obtaining for Canada the honour of hosting the world's best young athletes in Montreal to participate in the 21st Olympic Games. Indeed, the methods and programs of self-financing already submitted to federal government analysts and improved upon since our meetings in November enable us to affirm that the City of Montreal will not have to call on the federal government for a contribution from federal funds for the purpose of the Olympic Games.

An understanding has been reached to the effect that the methods and programs for self-financing approved by the federal government as requested in letters addressed to you by His Excellency Mr. C. O. Roger Rousseau, General Commissioner for the Olympic Games, will benefit by effective co-operation from the federal government for their best possible implementation.

The programs already submitted are in no way final as, once the self-financing principle has been accepted by your government through appropriate legislation, all abilities will be welcome to co-operate actively to further improvement of methods and programs conceived, to date, for the purpose of illustration. Implementation of the various programs will be spread over a period adequate to permit covering authorized expenditures.

Insofar as the national lottery is concerned, I understand that your officials and those of the Quebec government are trying to work out the best solution and I have no doubt of their success and of remittance of proceeds to COJO.

Provided, of course, the federal government agrees to remit to COJO the net proceeds from sales of special Olympic coins and stamps, and with the support of the Quebec government, which is well aware of the benefits and advantages involved in holding the Olympic Games and of the healthy stimulant these games will represent for young people throughout the country, both before they actually take place and for a long time after, the City of Montreal assures the federal government that it will not be called upon to grant special direct support for the holding of the 1976 Olympic Games or to assume interim financing.

Any surplus of income over expenditures will, under control of the City of Montreal, go into a separate special