IOC Circular Letter No. 2266
(Available in English only)

To : Officers of IOC Primary Subsidiary Bodies
Executive Secretary, Permanent Commission for the South Pacific

cc. : Officers of the Commission
Official National Coordinating Body for Liaison with the IOC in States Members of IOC
Permanent Delegates/Observer Missions to UNESCO of IOC Member States
National Commissions for UNESCO of IOC Member States

Subject : Meeting of Officers of IOC Primary Subsidiary Bodies
Monday 23 June 2008
14.30–17.30 hours, Room VI
119 avenue de Suffren
75007 Paris

In accordance with the decision of the IOC Assembly in 2007, Resolution XXIV-11, to convene a meeting on IOC Regional Subsidiary Bodies a day before sessions of the IOC Assembly or Executive Council, I have pleasure in inviting you to attend a half-a-day meeting the day preceding the opening of the forty-first Session of the IOC Executive Council (24 June–1st July). The IOC Vice-Chairpersons, field staff and senior members of the Secretariat will also attend.

I have chosen to extend this invitation to all IOC Primary Subsidiary Bodies, be they regional, technical or scientific with a view to focussing on the contribution provided by them to the High-Level Objectives and Related Actions of the IOC Medium-Term Strategy 2008–2013 and Biennial Strategy 2008–2009 and on opportunities for collaboration at the regional and country level with other organizations of the United Nations.

On this occasion the Intergovernmental Oceanographic Commission of UNESCO and the Permanent Commission for the South Pacific will renew their Memorandum of Understanding.

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It would be greatly appreciated if you can confirm your attendance to the Secretariat by **9 June 2008 at the latest**.

The technical secretariat for this meeting will be assured by Stefano Belfiore (s.belfiore@unesco.org), Office of the IOC Executive Secretary, whom your acceptance should be sent to.

Please note that due to building work undertaken at Headquarters, the main Fontenoy entrance is closed. Participants are invited to present themselves and register at the opposite entrance, 119 avenue de Suffren, with the present invitation.

I look forward to your participation on 23 June.

[signed]

Patricio Bernal
Assistant Director-General, UNESCO
Executive Secretary, IOC

*Enclosure: (1)*
Draft Agenda for the meeting
MEETING OF IOC MAJOR SUBSIDIARY BODIES

Monday 23 June 2008
Room VI, Fontenoy Building
UNESCO-Paris
14:00–18:00

DRAFT AGENDA

1. OPENING
2. ORGANIZATION OF THE SESSION
3. TOUR-DE-TABLE
4. GENERAL POLICY ISSUES
   4.2 DISCUSSION
5. REGIONAL COOPERATION IN MARINE SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY
   5.1 OPPORTUNITIES FOR STRENGTHENED SYNERGIES AT THE REGIONAL AND COUNTRY LEVEL WITH RELEVANT UNITED NATIONS AGENCIES
   5.2 DISCUSSION
6. FINAL DISCUSSION
7. CLOSING