



The Olympic Games

The Perfected Shell Game.



The political shell game:

During planning and hosting the Olympics, the IOC and the host country/ organizers succeed again and again in shifting the responsibility back and forth until none of the parties involved "know" who is responsible for mismanagement, corruption and fraud. In the end taxpayers will foot the bill.

The sports policy shell game:

The same is currently happening with the protection of Olympic athletes.

Who is responsible for the well-being of athletes? The focus is on the host country China and the human rights violations. Quite understandable - but the IOC and the Olympic Charter, as well as the guidelines for the Olympics 2022, show that the Olympic umbrella federation is not concerned with supporting or protecting athletes. And what about the International Federations and National Olympic Committees?

What is the IOC protecting? Their brand! How?

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1. Rule 50



The Olympic guidelines not only disenfranchise the athletes with the help of Rule 50.2... (banning athlete protest on the podium)

2. Rule 40



...but also cheat them economically of their own success with the help of Rule 40 (only approved sponsors may reference "Olympic-related terms"/ pictures).



Athletes are left alone with their fears of repercussions for speaking up or their overall well-being during the Olympic Games 2022.

Because...

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3. National Olympic Committees already tell their athletes...



- ...not to speak up in public
- to use burner phones & rental computers in Beijing.
- about serious cybersecurity concerns with the "My2022" smartphone app.

4. Chinese law



Athletes are told that national laws take precedence over the Olympic Charter. Chinese laws leave much room for interpretation. So that extensive punishments for protesting athletes are possible. The IOC avoids responsibility by referring to these national laws.

When will IOC distance itself from threats by a member of the Beijing 2022 organizing committee and make a clear commitment to protect athletes and their freedom of expression?

They won't!

Why?

- 1.No need
2. China is not afraid of the IOC.

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A. There is no business like the Olympic show business

At the moment there is no reason for change, rather the economic interests are greater. Stakeholders and rights holders will stay quiet (all Olympic sponsors have "ghosted" activists and NGOs ahead of Games). They all rather emphasize the Olympic ideal as a defense (e.g. Allianz, Airbnb). Moreover, the IOC and its partners do not want to strain the good relations with China, a top sporting world power that organizes a multitude of sporting competitions and an essential business partner for multiple stakeholders.



B. Bach a "loyal friend in hard times"

Furthermore Bach is a special friend of the Chinese regime, for bringing the Games twice to China (similar to Samaranch, set up a statue for Bach). The IOC's shocking silence over the disappearance of Peng Shuai and its' handling of the case, is another current example.



C. Silence is violence

The IOC will stay quiet until the Games 22 have ended! In China the IOC will not fulfill its human rights due diligence obligations under the Olympic Charter. The problem is being sat out. Til now there has been no official statements on human rights (e.g. Xinjiang, Hong Kong or Tibet). Official IOC meetings and statements are either about Omicron or security matters. Nobody talks about the extreme surveillance that is taking place - although human rights are universal and inalienable and have little to do with politics. Rather the IOC announces that it does not interfere in political matters, under the guise of alleged political neutrality, so that, of course, Chinese laws possibly will also apply to critical international athletes in China. Consequences are unknown. Laws give room for speculation.



D. "Shut up and play!"

For this reason, it is understandable and logical for athletes to refrain from making statements purely out of self-protection. They won't be able to use their voice for social change/issues. They will not be able to use their unique platform.



Or will there be a brave athlete who risks everything and causes the big bang? It is rather unlikely, the attention would be all the greater.



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What does it expose?

However, this does not expose China, whose human rights violations have been known for a long time (rather a short focus on offenses), but rather the hypocrisy of the IOC. The Circus Maximus has to continue-come what may.

Sports federations continue to forget:

Without the athletes, there is



sport.



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