



INTERNATIONAL TRIATHLON UNION
Minutes of 6th Congress

DAY 1: WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 20, 1993
ALBERT HALLS, BOLTON, ENGLAND

1. CALL TO ORDER:

a) President Les McDonald called the 6th Congress of ITU to order with the following present:

<u>NGB</u>	<u>NGB</u>	<u>NGB</u>	<u>NGB</u>
ANTIGUA	ARGENTINA	AUSTRALIA	BARBADOS
BELGIUM	BRASIL	GREAT BRITAIN	BULGARIA
CANADA	CHILE	COLOMBIA	COSTA RICA
CZECH	DENMARK	EL SALVADOR*	EQUADOR
FINLAND	FRANCE	GERMANY	GUATELALA
HONG KONG	HUNGARY	ICELAND	INDIA*
IRELAND	ITALY	JAPAN	LIECHENSTEIN
LUXEMBOURG	MALTA	MEXICO	MONACO
NETHERLANDS	NEW ZEALAND	NORFOLK IS.	PORTUGAL
PUERTO RICO	SPAIN	SWEDEN	SINGAPORE*
SOUTH AFRICA	SWITZERLAND	USA	VIRGIN ISLANDS

* = Represented by proxy

Table Officers and Standing Committee Members Present:

President: Les McDonald, CAN

Vice President: Sarah Springman, GBR

Secretary: Didier Lehenaff, FRA

Executive Board Members:

Phil Briars, NZL

Marisol Casado, ESP

Brian Hinton, AUS

Kevin Nel, RSA

Mark Sisson, USA

Lori Cameron, AUS

TECHNICAL COMMITTEE:

Loreen Barnett, CAN
Peter Coulson, GBR
John Ison, AUS
Soren Kjaer, DEN
Ed Morris, USA
Enrique Quesada, ESP

CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE:

Henning Muller, GER
Rodrigo Salas, CHI

AUDIT COMMITTEE:

Andrew McBarnett, GBR
Takashi Itoh, JPN
Bernard Stefan, AUT

CONSTITUTION COMMITTEE:

Leslie Beckerman, CAN
Mark Fewell, AUS

MEDICAL COMMITTEE:

Dr. Sergio Migliorini, ITL

INFORMATION COMMITTEE:

Ilkka Jarvimaki, FIN

REGIONAL REPS:

Peter Fitzsimmons, Oceania
Rick Fulton, Africa
Jorge Mejia, S. America
Masao Nakayama, Asia
Tom O'Donnell, Europe
Guillermo Saenz, C.A. & C.
Scott Zagarino, N.America

Duathlon Commission:

Dave Rudd, CAN

2. WELCOME FROM THE HOST NGB:

Andrew McBarnett, President of the British Triathlon Association (BTA) welcomed the delegates. McBarnett stated that although the BTA only took this event on in February, they still have the ingredients for a splendid event, with the help of Manchester 2000 Olympic bid, Kelloggs, Coca-Cola, Reebok plus a host of other sponsors. The efforts of the police have been quite amazing. This year's Triathlon World Championships is the biggest event in Manchester since the visit of the Pope. A special thanks also went to Bolton and neighbouring councils.

3. APPOINTMENT OF SCRUTINEERS: President Les McDonald appointed the following as scrutineers:

Steve Locke, USA Bernie Stefan, AUT Takashi Itoh, JPN

4. APPOINTMENT OF TELLERS: President Les McDonald appointed the following as tellers:

Martin Koller, SUI Dick Poole, GBR Scott Zagarino, USA

5. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE LAST CONGRESS:

- a) The following errors were noted in the minutes:
 - (i) Lack of scrutineers' signatures;
 - (ii) Report of DTU on 1992 University Triathlon in Germany
 - (iii) The motion to endorse an International Canoe Triathlon came from the Executive Board and not from the South African federation.
- b) Les McDonald assured Congress that these items had either been corrected, or would be.
- c) Henning Muller, DTU addressed Congress on the issue of the Duathlon report which appeared in the 1992 Congress minutes. Loreen Barnett noted that this report was included by error. She also apologized for its inclusion and noted that it had been deleted from the minutes distributed to Congress.
- d) The minutes of the 1992 Congress were approved as amended.

6. **PRESIDENT'S REPORT:** Les McDonald, ITU President, reviewed the contents of his report as distributed. (See copy attached.)

M/S/C: That the President's Report be accepted as read and circulated.

7. **TREASURER'S REPORT:** Discussion on the financial report was tabled until after the Audit Committee review work was complete.

8. **TECHNICAL COMMITTEE:** Loreen Barnett, Chair of the Technical Committee reviewed the contents of reported as distributed. (See copy attached.)

M/S/C: That the report of the Technical Committee be accepted as read and circulated.

8. **MEDICAL COMMITTEE REPORT:** Brian Hinton reported on the fact that the existing Medical Committee has not functioned in the past year. He has been assigned by the Executive Board to investigate the problem and find a solution. Tasks identified are:

- a) science behind the sport of Triathlon.
- b) administration of the sport: wetsuits, administration of doping controls.

M/S/C: That the report of Brian Hinton be accepted as read.

9. **CONSTITUTION COMMITTEE REPORT:** With the addition of a further three members to the Constitution Committee, they will deal with the resolutions which will come out of this Congress.

M/S/C: That the report of the Constitution Committee be accepted as read.

10. DUATHLON COMMISSION: Dave Rudd reported on behalf of the Duathlon Commission.

M/S/C: That the report of the Duathlon Commission be accepted as read.

11. WOMEN'S COMMISSION: Lori Cameron, Chair of the ITU Women's Commission, reported on behalf of the Women's Commission. (See copy attached.)

M/S/C: That the report of the Women's Commission be accepted as read.

12. REGIONAL REPRESENTATIVES:

a) **Africa:** Rick Fulton of Zimbabwe reported that this was Zimbabwe's first time to Congress and his athletes to the Triathlon World Championships. The inaugural African Championships were held for the first time this year in South Africa. The officers of the ATU have been elected. A major commitment is to have all of the NGBs in Africa to be affiliated with their NOC. Regional Championships will be held every two years. Regrettably Triathlon will not be part of the African Games in 1995. A serious lobby will now take place to have Triathlon included in the next African Games. Another goal is to assist ITU with their goal of Olympic programme inclusion. 295 from South Africa, Zimbabwe and Namibia took part in the Regional Championships. Formal thanks went to Les McDonald and ITU for supporting the establishment of the Regional Championships. Zimbabwe dominated the ultra events, while South Africa dominates the Olympic distance Triathlon and the Duathlon. An invitation was extended to all NGBs to travel to Zimbabwe and other African countries to compete in multi-sport.

M/S/C: That the report of the African Regional Representative be accepted as read.

b) **Asia:** Masao Nakayama asked delegates to read the detailed Asian report as distributed. The Asian Triathlon Confederation celebrated its second Asian Triathlon Championships in Tianjun, China in July, which was attended by 11 member NGBs. They also welcomed Kazakhstan and Malaysia as new members to the confederation. They have been working hard to revise the constitution of the Confederation, and it has now been unanimously accepted by everyone. The development of an Asian Triathlon Series is a prime focus. Korea will host the 1994 Asian Triathlon Championships in Seoul, and Malaysia has a conditional approval to host the event in 1995. Both Singapore and the Philippines are interested in bidding for the event in 1996. Other points of interest are: Ruth Hunt, Hong Kong, is interested in developing a Junior Championships for the region and Korea will be organising a Science Congress for Triathlon.

M/S/C: That the report of the Asian Regional Representative be accepted as distributed.

c) **Central America and the Caribbean:** Guillermo Saenz of Costa Rica reported that Triathlon has been approved by the IOC to be a full medal sport in the Central American Games in El Salvador on January 15, 1994. Costa Rica, Nicaragua, Guatemala, El Salvador, Honduras and Belize have already confirmed their

participation. The Central American and Caribbean Games will take place in Ponce, Puerto Rico, November 19th to December 2nd, 1993. The Triathlon will be on November 21 in Cabo Rojo. Mario de Lourdes Lopez, the President of the Triathlon Federation of Puerto Rico has been working hard to find a budget and the technical qualities for the event. The 2nd Central American and Caribbean Triathlon Championships was celebrated on April 24 in San Andres, and the 4th Central American Triathlon Championships were held on July 18th in El Salvador. 52 Race officials and Timing Officials met for a very successful certification course in El Salvador. These officials will assist the development of the sport in the region.

M/S/C: That the report of the Central American and Caribbean Regional Representative be accepted as read and circulated.

- d) **Europe:** Tom O'Donnell reported that there are now 31 NGBs in ETU, with 27 in attendance at this year's Summer Congress. Two members of the ITU Executive Board were unanimously re-elected to the Executive Board of ETU. Doping is one problem which is being addressed through a Doping Commission, which will investigate the background of these issues. A very successful Olympic Championships was held in Luxembourg, a long distance Championships in France and a Junior Distance in Spain. A combination Championships will be conducted in 1995 to take the pressure off the calendar with all of the Championships which now exist. Dick Poole was the treasurer of ETU since its beginning. He has has been made an honorary member of ETU for all of his efforts on behalf of the sport. Congratulations were extended to the BTA for the professional way in which they have developed this World Championships. Good Luck to Manchester.

M/S/C: That the report of the European Regional Representative be accepted as read.

- e) **North America:** Mark Sisson reported that the sport continues to prosper. There are now four official magazines, 2000 triathlons and over 500 duathlons. A reciprocal agreement exists between countries for insurance purposes, and the region will continue to promote this. Officials share in policy-making decisions and several officers sit on the Pan-American Confederation Executive Board. The North American Region is represented by over 400 age group athletes and full elite and junior teams at this years Triathlon World Championships here in Manchester.

M/S/C: That the report of the North American Regional Representative be accepted as read.

- f) **Oceania:** Peter Fitzsimmons stated that the region is represented by Australia, New Zealand and Norfolk Island. Over 200 athletes have flown for over 26 hours to get here. Multi sports in the region are moving to major sport status. The region is now looking for opportunities to host more ITU events, i.e., a World Cup event and the 1994 Triathlon World Championships in Wellington. The goal for the coming year will be to assist the islands of Oceania in their attempts to promote the growth of the sport.

M/S/C: That the report of the Oceania Regional Representative be accepted as read.

- g) **South America:** Jorge Mejia reported that South America shares with the rest of the world the success and efforts made by so many on behalf of Triathlon. Along with

the ITU President, Les McDonald, Jorge attended the ODEPA Congress in Mar Del Plata, Argentina, where the Triathlon was included in the Pan-American Games, 1995. Mr. Oscar Benetine, Argentine Federation, was elected to head the Technical Commission which will produced the Triathlon in the Pan-American Games. The South American Olympic Distance Championships were held in Mar Del Plata this year, with the Long Distance Championships in Calima, Colombia on October 3rd. A large number of athletes from South America are expected to take part in the Pan-American Championships which will be held in St. Thomas, Virgin Islands on October 24. Jorge asked that we all keep the athletes of South America in mind when planning for the future of the sport.

M/S/C: That the report of the of the South American Regional Representative be accepted as read.

- 13. YOUTH COMMISSION:** Peter Fitzsimmons and Phil Briars showed a video of the School Triathlon Programme in New Zealand. They cautioned the delegates to consider carefully the resolution on establishing a separate Junior World Championships.

M/S/C: That the report of the Youth Commission be accepted as read.

- 14. LUNCH ADJOURNMENT:** Congress adjourned for lunch at 12:30 p.m. and re-convened at 1:40 p.m.

- 15. KEYNOTE ADDRESS BY MR. CHIHARU IGAYA (IOC):** Mr. Igaya's major points were:

- a) ITU has announced that 96 countries are affiliated. ITU should count the number of NGBs which have more than 100 members. That number has to increase.
- b) The IOC does not like dangerous sports. Therefore, increase the safety elements of Triathlon. Protect your athletes from harm.
- c) Avoid positive doping control results at all costs.
- d) Have the same leaders represent your sport. The IOC people are afraid of multiplication of combined sports. ITU has to ensure that IOC people recognize the great popularity of Triathlon, but 1 million Triathletes world-wide are still not enough.
- e) **Advice:**
 - (i) Increase the number of Triathletes licensed by your federations and in your events.
 - (ii) Increase the communication with the IOC-Executive-Board and each individual IOC member.
 - (iii) Increase your programmes for women.
 - (iv) Increase your programme to prevent the use of drugs in the sport.

Mr Igaya received a standing ovation from Congress.

16. MARKETING COMMITTEE REPORT: Malcolm Beattie, API, reported on the work of API and their marketing strategies.

a) The existing charter sponsors are: Reebok and Coca-Cola

b) Three more sponsors will be signed for 1994.

M/S/C: That API be endorsed as the ITU Marketing Company.

M/S/C: That the report of the Marketing Company be accepted as read.

17. AUDIT COMMITTEE REPORT:

M/S/C: That the financial year appear in the constitution as January 1.

M/S/C: That the financial report should be circulated to all NGBs 60 days in advance of Congress.

M/S/C: That the Audit Committee be asked to produce a professional audit.

M/S/C: That the report of the Audit Committee be accepted as read.

18. REPORT OF 1993 TRIATHLON WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS: Andrew McBarnett reported on the status of the 1993 Triathlon World Championships.

M/S/C: The report by Andrew McBarnett was accepted as read.

19. RESOLUTIONS FROM THE EXECUTIVE BOARD:

a) **Resolution 5:** Suzanne Baur, DTU as that Resolution 5 be divided into two parts:

M/S/C: That the Women's Commission be made a Standing Committee of seven (7), with similar rights and responsibilities as other standing committees.

M/S/D: That the Women's Committee position on the Executive Board be eliminated.

M/S/C: That the ITU Council be defined as follows: The Council of ITU shall be composed of all ITU officers, i.e., Regional Representatives, Standing Committees and Commissions. The Council will meet annually.

b) **Doping:**

M/S/C: That Executive Board uphold the appeal by Janet Hatfield against the decision by the Competition Jury at the ITU World Cup race in Embrun, France, regarding the issue of the penalty given to Maud Martin for a positive doping control result.

M/S/C: That Congress supports the Executive Board's action to take the issue ITU vs

FFTri to the Court of Arbitration for Sport for clarification of the IOC Doping Control Rules.

c) Other Resolutions from the Executive Board:

M/S/C: That the Constitution be changed to eliminate proxy votes.

M/S/C: That the Duathlon Commission be made into a standing committee of ITU, with three (3) elected members, with similar rights and responsibilities as other standing committees, and further that their position on the Executive Board be eliminated.

M/S/C: That the Athlete's Commission be increased to 3 members, appointed by the Executive Board, and further that their position on the Executive Board be eliminated.

M/S/C: That the athlete's waiver, naming the Court of Arbitration for Sport, Lausanne (IOC), as the final court of appeal, be approved.

20. KEYNOTE ADDRESS BY MR CRAIG REEDIE, CHAIR OF THE BRITISH OLYMPIC ASSOCIATION: The text of Mr. Reddie's address, which focused on Triathlon, The Olympics and Youth, is attached.

Mr Reddie's address to Congress received a standing ovation.

21. RESOLUTIONS FROM THE EXECUTIVE BOARD CONT'D:

a) Future Olympic Distance World Championships: Both Monaco and Mexico spoke to Congress regarding a bid for the 1995 Triathlon World Championships. Phil Briars stated that it is inappropriate for Congress to make any decision about a Triathlon World Championships without the necessary documents. Sergio stated that he had a letter of support from Mario Vasquez Rana.

M/S/D: That the decision as to whether Monaco or Mexico will host the 1995 Olympic Distance World Championships be referred to an 'evaluation committee.'

M/S/C: That the decision as to whether Monaco or Mexico will host the 1995 Olympic Distance World Championships be determined by Congress '93.

M/S/C: That the following NGBs be awarded Olympic Distance World Championships for the years indicated, subject to signing a contract with ITU:

1995 Olympic Distance World Championships: Mexico

1996 Olympic Distance World Championships: USA

1997 Olympic Distance World Championships: Switzerland

b) Long Distance World Championships: Henning Muller, DTU stated that ITU should

not host a Long Distance World Championships until there is a bidding document. He also suggested that a short term solution would be to have the 1994 event postponed, and that the first one should go to Germany. He asked France to withdraw their bid for 1994.

Jacques Laparade, FFTri, stated that they bid for '94 because they thought it was important for ITU to establish a long distance championships. Also Nice is in the last year of a contract with IMG and there is the opportunity for the federation to take control of the event.

M/S/C: That the 1994 Long Distance World Championships be awarded to France, June 15, Nice, subject to signing a contract with ITU.

The awarding of the 1995 Triathlon Long Distance Championships was postponed till further bids are received.

c) Other Resolutions:

M/S/C: That the theme for Congress 1993 be "Junior Development".

M/S/C: That Congress officially endorse the holding of an "extra-ordinary" ITU Congress in Paris on June 24-25, 1994 to celebrate the founding of the IOC.

M/S/C: That the theme for the June Extra-Ordinary Congress will be Olympism and the Olympic Movement, as per direction from the IOC;

M/S/C: That ITU supports the initiative of FFTri to organise, as part of the "Extra-Ordinary ITU Congress" and its Olympic theme, a special theme concerning Coaching and Training Olympic Triathletes.

M/S/C: That previous ITU World Champions, (commencing Avignon 1989) be invited to compete at the World Championships, and further that former World Champions who accept the invitation to compete, must wear their national team uniform and abide by other rules imposed by their NGB.

M/S/C: International World Games: Whereas ITU does not have the financial ability to send a Technical Delegate or subsidize the World Games, therefore be it resolved that NTB consider either taking responsibility for hosting the event or cancelling it.

M/S/C: That \$1500 be allocated to the Women's Committee for the Women's Conference, to be held at the time of the World Championships in Manchester '93.

M/S/C: That future expenditures from Standing Committees and Executive Board members be specific and requests for funding be forwarded in advance to the Treasurer for approval.

- M/S/C:** That the number of delegates to the ITU Congress per NGB be increased to three from two, provided that at least one delegate is a woman.
- M/S/C:** That ITU send a letter to NTB and FFTri requesting them to comply with the Drug Harmonization Agreement and the ITU/IOC Doping Control Rules.
- M/S/C:** That the Rules and Regulations for the Triathlon World Cup Series be approved, for 1993, and will be referred to the Technical Committee for inclusion in the Competition Rules and Operations Manual.
- M/S/C:** That Congress endorse the concept of an 'Indoor Triathlon' and further that we support FFTri in their actions to coordinate a "World Indoor Triathlon Series".
- M/S/C:** That Congress endorse the creation of a "Junior Trophy" for men and women World Champions, and further that Peter Coulson, BTA, be provided the sum of \$250 to purchase such trophies for 1993.
- M/S/C:** That for the age group categories at future Triathlon World Championships, the Local Organising Committee has the right to propose limitations on entries from 12 to 6 competitors for each age group category, at their discretion.
- M/S/C:** Whereas the ITU Congress '91 passed a resolution which increased the penalty for a first offence for a positive test for anabolic steroids, and other amphetamine related stimulants, from two (2) to four (4) years, on the information that the IOC intended to do so, but in fact the IOC did not. Therefore the penalty for a first offence will remain at two (2) years for a positive test in this category.
- M/S/C:** That for the World Championships, athlete's prize money be sent to the NGB, with a letter of confirmation to the athlete concerned.
- M/S/C:** That for World Cup Series events and the World Cup Bonus Pool, the prize money be sent directly to the athlete.

22. RESOLUTIONS FROM THE TECHNICAL COMMITTEE:

- M/S/C:** That the Executive Board investigate establishing a "Coaches Committee" which would be closely connected to the Junior Development Committee, the Medical Committee, the Women's Committee and the Technical Committee.
- M/S/C:** That the current Junior category be divided as follows:
- a) **Junior 1:** This category would have a separate World Championships of the sprint distance, which would be held the day prior to the Olympic Distance Triathlon World Championships, and would be for competitors between the ages of 13 and 15 years, with eligibility being age as of January 1.

- b) **Junior 2:** This category would continue to compete as part of the Olympic Distance Triathlon World Championships and would be for competitors between the ages of 16 and 19 years, with eligibility being age on January 1.
- c) Be it further resolved that the organisers of future Triathlon World Championships be encouraged to hold a separate Junior 1 World Championships, with full implementation of the event in 1996.

23. **ADJOURNMENT:** Congress adjourned for the day at 5:45 p.m. and agreed to convene again at 9:00 a.m. August 21, 1993.



DAY 2: THURSDAY, AUGUST 21, 1993
ALBERT HALLS, BOLTON, ENGLAND

- 1. **CALL TO ORDER:** Les McDonald, President of ITU called the second day of Congress to order at 9:10 a.m.
- 2. **RESOLUTIONS FROM THE TECHNICAL COMMITTEE:** Cont'd:

M/S/C: That the official wording for the "stop and go" rule be added to Competition Rule III.2.f), and that it read as follows:

"Stop and Go: When assessed a yellow card, the marshal will blow a whistle or horn, show a yellow card and call the competitor's number (in English). The marshal will also say, "STOP". The competitor will stop in a safe manner and dismount with both feet on one side of the bicycle, and raise both wheels off the ground at the same time. The marshal will then say "Go", at which time the competitor will continue in a safe manner."

M/S/C: That V.3.a) (x) be deleted from the Competition Rules and in its place the following be added:

"Non-traditional or unusual bicycles or equipment shall be illegal unless prior approval has been received from the Chief Race Marshal prior to the start of the competition."

M/S/C: That section VII.1 b) be revised to state, "Cycling is not permitted in the transition area.

M/S/C: That until such time as significant research is in place, that the upper limit for wetsuit use in an Olympic Distance event be 22°C.

M/S/C: That the following wording be added to II.5 b) of the Competition Rules:

6. 1994 PROPOSED BUDGET:

M/S/C: That the following budget be approved.

<u>Revenue</u>	Membership Fees	\$20,000
	World Cup - Triathlon	\$0
	World Cup - Duathlon	\$0
	World Championships - Triathlon	\$0
	World Championships - Duathlon	\$0
	Sponsorship	\$325,000
	Television	\$150,000
	Interest	\$5,000
	Other	\$10,000
	<u>Total Revenue</u>	<u>\$510,000</u>

<u>Expense</u>	Administration	\$60,000
	Travel	\$60,000
	Accounting	\$10,000
	Insurance	\$15,000
	Committees	\$20,000
	Prize Money	\$100,000
	Television	\$80,000
	Marketing Fees	\$75,000
	Legal	\$20,000
	Contingency	\$30,000
	<u>Total Expense</u>	<u>\$470,000</u>

Net Surplus: **\$40,000**

7. ELECTIONS:

- a) **Treasurer:** Mike Gilmore elected by acclamation.
- b) **Executive Board Member:** Mark Sisson elected by acclamation.
- c) **Technical Committee:** The following were nominated for the one vacancy created by a recent resignation:
Peter Coulson, GBR Thea Syjbesma, NED
Sergio Mucino, Mex R. Locatelli, ITL

Sergio Mucino was elected.

- d) **Audit Committee:** The following were nominated:
Steven Locke, USA Dick Poole, GBR
J. DeJong C. McCall

The following were elected: Steven Locke, Dick Poole, J. DeJong.

- e) **Women's Committee:** The following were elected by acclamation:
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| Lise Jahnsen, DEN | Liesbeth Stogz, RSA |
| Suzanne Baur, GER | Jackie Smith, CAN |
| Ruth Hunt, HKG | Dottie Dorian, USA |
| Lori Cameron, AUS | |

Lori Cameron was named by the newly elected Women's Commission as their representative on the Executive Board.

- f) **Duathlon Committee:** The following were nominated:

Graham Park, NZL	Ramon Perez Islinger, GER
David Rudd, CAN	Orlando Pizzolato, ITL
Martin Koller, SUI	Bernie Stefan, AUT

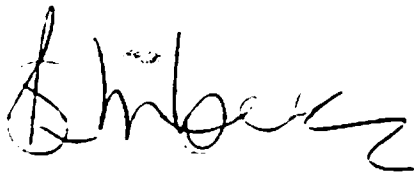
The following were elected: Ramon Perez, David Rudd and Martin Koller.

8. **ADJOURNMENT:** President Les McDonald, thanked the delegates for their diligence and valuable efforts to make the 1993 ITU Congress another milestone in the progress of the sport, and wished all of the athletes a safe, fair competition at the 5th World Championships to be held on Sunday, August 22, and a safe journey home.

M/S/C: That the 1993 ITU Congress be adjourned.

These minutes were recorded by
Didier Lehenaff, Secretary
International Triathlon Union (ITU)

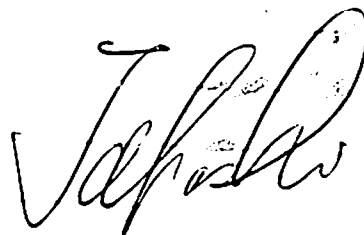
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