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It is hereby notified that the President has assented to the following Act which is hereby published for general information:—

No. 36 of 1997: South African Olympic Hosting Act, 1997.

Hierby word bekend gemaak dat die President sy goedkeuring geheg het aan die onderstaande Wet wat hierby ter algemene inligting gepubliseer word:—

No. 36 van 1997: Wet op Suid-Afrikaanse Olimpiese Gasheerskap, 1997.

ACT

To provide for the execution of the host city contract if the hosting of the 28th Olympiad in 2004 is awarded to the City of Cape Town; and for matters connected therewith.

PREAMBLE

WHEREAS it is desirable for the Government of the Republic of South Africa to convey its support for the bid by the City of Cape Town to host the Olympic Games by making specific provision to facilitate the hosting of the Olympic Games;

AND WHEREAS the Covenant given by the National Government, and other covenants given by the Province of the Western Cape, the City of Cape Town and surrounding local authorities, in respect of the bid by the City of Cape Town to host the Olympic Games, are endorsed;

AND WHEREAS the City of Cape Town has taken all the required steps to sign the host city contract if the hosting of the Olympic Games is awarded to that City;

AND WHEREAS it is desirable to further support the bid by the City of Cape Town to host the Olympic Games by facilitating the execution of, and compliance with, any contract, agreement or arrangement;

AND WHEREAS the supreme authority of the International Olympic Committee in all matters related to Olympic sport is recognised;

AND WHEREAS the spirit of Olympism will contribute to the welfare of the people of the Republic of South Africa and the continent of Africa;

(Afrikaans text signed by the President)
(Assented to 29 August 1997.)

BE IT THEREFORE ENACTED by the Parliament of the Republic of South Africa, as follows:—

Definitions

1. In this Act, unless the context otherwise indicates—
 - “**Covenant**” means the Covenant by the National Government to respect the 5 provisions of the Olympic Charter and to meet the requirements set by the IOC for the hosting of the Olympic Games;
 - “**host city contract**” means the contract the City of Cape Town is required to conclude with the IOC if the hosting of the Olympic Games is awarded to that City;
 - “**IOC**” means the International Olympic Committee and its structures; 10
 - “**Olympic Games**” means the Games of the 28th Olympiad in 2004;
 - “**organ of state**” means an organ of state as defined in section 239 of the Constitution of the Republic of South Africa, 1996 (Act No. 108 of 1996).

Execution of host city contract

2. (1) The City of Cape Town is authorised to comply with all the provisions of the 15 host city contract and to fulfil any obligation imposed on it by the IOC.

(2) The City of Cape Town may enter into any agreement required by the host city contract.

(3) The City of Cape Town may attach the Covenant to the host city contract.

(4) An organ of state which has entered into any contract, agreement or arrangement for the bid by the City of Cape Town to host the Olympic Games, is authorised to give effect to such contract, agreement or arrangement.

(5) Any organ of state involved in the bid by the City of Cape Town to host the Olympic Games, and which, if the hosting of the Olympic Games is awarded to that City, will be involved in such hosting, must conduct its affairs and fulfil its obligations in respect of such bid or hosting, as the case may be, in accordance with the principles of co-operative government.

Short title

3. This Act is called the South African Olympic Hosting Act, 1997.