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## 66 Days before the Opening Ceremony of The World Games 2009 – Coordinating Committee Meeting in Kaohsiung

(Kaohsiung) On May 10 and 11, members of the International World Games Association (IWGA) and the Kaohsiung Organizing Committee (KOC) had the last Coordinating Committee Meeting at Wenzao College, which marked the beginning of the nine final weeks of preparations for this year's eighth edition of The World Games, which will take place from July 16-26.

The delegation of the IWGA consisted of five members, including President Mr. Ron Froehlich, Secretary General Mr. Co Koren, Manager Ms. Patsy Dew, Sports Director Mr. Joachim Gossow, and Treasurer Mr. Lukas Hinder. Mr. C.K. Wu, observer from IOC, also attended the CoCom meeting on the second day directly flew-in from Madrid, Spain.

After introductory welcome speeches by IWGA President Mr. Froehlich and Kaohsiung City Mayoress, and KOC President, Ms. Chu Chen, the main points on the agenda for the first day of the meeting were Media and Marketing issues, Sports related planning, and IT Services.

On the second day, Monday morning, topics such as Logistics, Security, Ticketing, and Cultural Events were of special interest.

In order to avoid any health risks for athletes as well as the public, the Kaohsiung Organizing Committee and Kaohsiung City Government jointly announced to set up an Emergency Response

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Team. This team will emphasize on preventing dengue fever and swine flu by strengthening the inspection in airport and harbor in Kaohsiung. In addition, a Swine Flu Prevention Task Force will be created.

Since the city of Kaohsiung started its preparations as a host city for The 2009 World Games, CoCom Meetings between IWGA and KOC have been held on a regular basis, in order to coordinate and keep track with the process in organization and to make sure that the games in July 2009 will meet the high expectations of all stakeholders involved.



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