



OFFICE OF THE MAYOR

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President  
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Dear President,

Warm greetings from the Seoul Metropolitan Government. I am Wonsoon Park, Mayor of Seoul. I am pleased to convey my full support for the 25<sup>th</sup> ANOC General Assembly to be held in Seoul.

The ANOC General Assembly is a meaningful event in which 206 countries' NOCs participate to strengthen their roles and share information, thus reinforcing the spirit of the Olympic Games.

Seoul has successfully hosted the 5<sup>th</sup> and the 15<sup>th</sup> ANOC General Assemblies before. And it has hosted the most number of General Assemblies so far. I am certain that if the 25<sup>th</sup> ANOC General Assembly is held in Seoul, it will also be a great success, as Seoul will spare no efforts regarding transportation, accommodations, event costs, etc., based on its experiences of hosting an ANOC General Assembly before.

The year 2020 is a particularly meaningful year, as it marks the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the establishment of the Korean Sport & Olympic Committee. I hope that by hosting the 15<sup>th</sup> ANOC General Assembly in 2020, we can pursue more regular sports exchanges with North Korea, and make further improvements in the inter-Korean relations and also for world peace.

Seoul is a uniquely dynamic city where 2,000 years of history and cutting-edge information and communications technology coexist in great harmony. Moreover, Seoul has successfully hosted several major international events, such as FIFA World Cup in 2002, G20 Summit in 2010, and Nuclear Security Summit in 2012. As a result, Seoul has ranked 3rd in the world in terms of the number of international conferences for 2 consecutive years recently, according to UIA. As such, I believe that Seoul will be able to successfully host the 15<sup>th</sup> ANOC General Assembly as well.

The Seoul Metropolitan Government promises to do all that it can for the success of the 15<sup>th</sup> ANOC General Assembly. We kindly ask for your active support as well. The 10 million citizens of Seoul and I look forward to welcoming you in Seoul in 2022. Thank you.

Best regards,

Wonsoon Park  
Mayor of Seoul