



SPORTS FEDERATION & OLYMPIC COMMITTEE OF HONG KONG, CHINA

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The Demise of Hon Arnaldo de Oliveira SALES, GBM, JP, Honorary Life President of the Federation

March 7, 2020: The Officers and members of the Sports Federation and Olympic Committee of Hong Kong, China (Federation) would like to express our sadness and deepest condolences for the passing away of our Honorary Life President, The Hon Arnaldo de Oliveira SALES, GBM, JP, on 6 March 2020.

Being one of the founders of the Federation, Mr. SALES devoted more than half a century as Honorary Secretary General, Chairman, President and Honorary Life President respectively to provide insights in different stages of sports development in Hong Kong and internationally. Under his presidency from 1967 to 1998, Hong Kong athletes gradually gained recognition in many international multi-sports Games such as Commonwealth Games, Olympic Games and Asian Games. With his vision and utmost effort, Hong Kong was retained as a separate sporting entity after the changeover of sovereignty which greatly supported the continuum of worldwide exposure of Hong Kong athletes for sports competitions beyond 1997.

The Olympic Spirit and Olympism were spread across Asia with his leadership as Chairman of Hong Kong Olympic Academy from 1987 to 2014. His significant contribution to the Olympic Movement in Hong Kong, Asia and worldwide was marked by the award of the IOC Trophy for "Sport and Sustainable Development" in 2012.

Mr. SALES was not only a great contributor to the development of sport, he also was of great value to community developments in Hong Kong. His work as Chairman of Urban Council, Member of Housing Authority, the Hong Kong Basic Law Consultative Committee and other public services had been widely recognized by Hong Kong SAR governments and numerous organizations. His passing away is a great loss to sports and the local community.

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港協暨奧委會永遠名譽會長沙理士太平紳士辭世

2020年3月7日：中國香港體育協會暨奧林匹克委員會「港協暨奧委會」對永遠名譽會長沙理士 GBM 太平紳士於2020年3月6日辭世表示深切哀悼。

沙理士先生為港協暨奧委會創會成員之一。自1950年成立以來，沙理士先生先後出任義務秘書長、主席、會長及永遠名譽會長，服務本會超越半個世紀，在本港體育發展的不同階段運籌決策。在1967年至1998年擔任會長期間，香港運動員逐步參與了多項國際綜合運動會，例如英聯邦運動會、奧林匹克運動會、亞洲運動會等。通過他的努力，香港運動員可在1997年回歸之後繼續以「中國香港」之名號參加國際賽事。

1987年至2014年，沙理士先生兼任香港奧林匹克學院院長。在他的領導下，奧林匹克精神推廣至亞洲各國。沙理士先生在香港、亞洲和國際推動奧林匹克運動不遺餘力，獲頒授2012年國際奧委會「體育與可持續發展大獎」。

沙理士先生不僅是本港體育發展的傑出貢獻者，更透過服務市政局、房屋委員會、香港基本法諮詢委員會和其他公職，致力提倡多項社區發展。沙理士先生的貢獻無論在本地或是在國際社會，都受到各地政府及相關組織的廣泛認可。沙理士先生的辭世是香港體育界及整個社會的巨大損失。

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