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## **COMMUNIQUE**

## XXIXth WORLD OLYMPIC COLLECTORS' FAIR COLORADO SPRINGS 2026

On 26 February 2025, the Olympic Foundation for Culture and Heritage officially awarded the organization of the XXIXth World Olympic Collectors' Fair to Colorado Springs 2026 (U.S.A.).

It is with great honor and pleasure that Mr. James GODDARD, Olympin Collector's Club Vice-President, Mr. Mark MAESTRONE, Sports Philatelists International President, who are both co-Presidents of the Organizing Committee, and Mr. Christophe AIT-BRAHAM, President of AICO (International Association of Olympic Collectors) and Member of the IOC Commission for Culture and Olympic Heritage, welcomed this decision; and warmly thanked Ms. Angelita TEO, Director of the Olympic Foundation.

This event, jointly organized by OLYMPIN and SPI with AICO, will bring together Olympic collectors from all over the world in 2026 to share and discuss their passion and Olympic culture.

The WOCF will be at the heart of the US Olympic Movement, two years before Los Angeles 2028. Indeed Colorado Springs is the home of the US Olympic Paralympic Committee (USOPC), and the Team America's training center, as well as the US Olympic Paralympic Museum (USOPM), a member of the Olympic Museum Network.

The Organizing Committee is already in place to ensure the success of this event, to which all collectors and enthusiasts of Olympism are invited.

Mr. Mark MAESTRONE, AICO Secretary General, will also be the AICO Delegate to the Organizing Committee.

More information about the upcoming organization can be found on **www.aicolympic.org** 

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