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Dear Mr Ryder, Mr Kearney and Ms de Haan

Thank you for your letters and my apologies for not responding sooner. This year is, as you can no doubt imagine, extremely busy for the International Olympic Committee.

We, too, found our meeting in December to be constructive. We thank you for taking the time to come to the IOC and for sharing your thoughts and proposals with us. We would be delighted to receive the root map information you mentioned so that might look at how that could be of use to us.

Since we met, the IOC has been adapting and strengthening its Olympic bid process, including making the sustainability section more robust and bringing in a new section on social responsibility. The latter includes elements on ethical sourcing, among other. We hope to see this bear fruit for the 2016 Candidate City process.

Besides this work which covers the Organising Committees for the Olympic Games, we are developing, as discussed when we met, a framework for the other stakeholders we serve and guide. As we do for all aspects of our social and humanitarian projects, we will work closely with the relevant UN agency – in this case the ILO. However, we welcome you being kept in the loop through their facilitation.

Regarding the meeting with BOCOG, we now realize there was a misunderstanding about which organization they were meeting. They extended an invitation to the Fair Labour Association with whom they have, we understand, had a number of productive discussions.

We remain at your disposal to meet again, together with the ILO, as and when appropriate.

Yours sincerely,

Christophe De Kepper
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