



THE REPUBLIC OF
TURKIYE
STATE MINISTRY

*Dear Mr Kirsan Ilyumzhinov
The President of FIDE*

Ankara, 24 October 2008

The city of Istanbul, the meeting point of continents and civilizations, hosted thousand years of history and culture, 2010 European Cultural Capital binding Europe to Asia would like to show this bound to the whole world by being a candidate for hosting 40th Chess Olympiad.

Our country and Istanbul has hosted many international sports event among with a major success in all of those and among the future elite sport that Istanbul is going to host such as 2009 F1 Grand Prix, UEFA Cup Final, European Club Cup Crossing Championship, European Volleyball Championship for Men, European Schools Basketball Championship, 2010 F1 Grand Prix, FIBA World Basketball Championship, 2012 World Indoor Athletics Championship we would like to add the task of organizing 40th World Chess Olympiad in 2012 together which would show our organization capability.

Dear President,

As the Youth and Sports Minister of Turkish Republic, the issues that my government will support you to if you grant Istanbul hosting the 2012 Chess Olympiad are as follows

- Organizing it as in the spirit of the Olympics and providing the necessary financial resources*
- Hosting the participating countries in Istanbul's friendly and warm atmosphere*
- Governorship of Istanbul, Metropolitan Municipality of Istanbul and Other organizations would work for the organization in cooperation,*
- We will utilize all our resources about accommodation, safety and transportation*
- In terms of the international transportation our National Airlines will make specialized work for the organization*
- Enabling the participants to sightsee all the historical and cultural sites in Istanbul with the most beautiful and special way with guides.*

- During the organizations informing whole the country and our citizens about the Chess Olympiad with supporting organizations
- Broadcasting national and internationally via national and private television channels
- Ensuring the representation of the state and the government's effective representation in the opening and the closing ceremony.

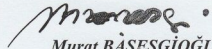
Furthermore,

I am guaranteeing you as the The State Minister of Turkish Republic that I will lead the organizing committee as a representative of my government that would assure organizing the Chess Olympiad in the best way in compliance with the international standards and all the mandatory conditions, all the precautions will be taken by the hosting city of Istanbul and its administrators.

Dear President,

Istanbul is not only the joining point of the continents of Europe and Asia but also the gathering place of the world civilizations. We would like to host you and the dear delegation in 2012 in Istanbul where the easy transportation and accommodation conditions, the ideal climate conditions and all the infrastructure is provided with the historical trajectory are displayed in an integrity.

With my best regards,



Murat BAŐESGİOĐLU
The State Minister