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**RE: Korea Times: "Ohno Scheduled to Race in World Cup Event in Chonju", dated 11-11-2003**

Dear Sir:

The speedskating fans of the United States have grown significantly in number since the last Olympics, in large part because of the excitement created by short track speedskating and its wonderful athletes. The fans have come to know the athletes of all countries and have great respect for each of them.

This was demonstrated by the way North American fans have cheered for athletes of every country at World Cup events during the 2002-2003 season, and in Calgary and Marquette of the current season already. We want to see short track gain the admiration and respect it deserves worldwide -- in the media and in the hearts of fans. We want to extend a gesture of respect and sportsmanship to the fans of short track in Korea as a way to ease the hard feelings and tensions created back during the Winter Olympics.

We are concerned that if there is not an atmosphere of goodwill, respect and sportsmanship across countries that the sport will lose admiration and prestige among the people of the world and in the media, which will hurt the sport.

The true Olympic spirit exists and is evident in Short Track Speedskating. For your consideration, we submit a collection of photographs taken by fans who had attended World Cups I & II in Calgary and Marquette. As evident from the photos and written testimonials, the short track community shows true camaraderie that extends to all cultures, races and ages. There is no room for hostility in this community of goodwill. We hope you will choose to help us ensure and demonstrate goodwill and the desire for better relations among the members of the short track world by publishing our story and photographs in The Korea Times before the World Cup events commence.

Very truly yours,

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**RE: Korea Times, “Oh No, Not Again”, by Eoghan Sweeney, Sports Editor, 11-23-03**

Dear Mr. Tae-gyu:

As promised, I've attached the final package of information regarding the American supporter's "Korean Goodwill" project. The U.S. Short Track team has elected not to compete at World Cup 3 in Korea, contributed by the fact that Apolo Ohno does not feel his safety can be assured.

Now, more than ever, we feel the Korean citizens should join us in establishing tolerance, respect and goodwill between the U.S. and Korean short track speedskating communities.

The attachment contains selected media coverage of the World Cup 2 events. The city of Marquette and The Mining Journal newspaper were outstanding hosts for the manner in which the World Cup events were executed and covered. World Cup 2 was the finest example of international camaraderie in sports. Supporters and professional photographers have provided additional photos including some exciting race snapshots between Ohno (USA), Ahn (KOR) & Li (CHI). These photos demonstrate the matched skill among the three talented skaters.

We hope you will choose to help us ensure and demonstrate goodwill and the desire for better relations among the members of the short track world by publishing our story and photographs in The Korea Times during World Cup 3.

The courtesy of your reply is deeply appreciated.

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cc: Eoghan Sweeney, Sports Editor, Korea Times (without attachment)