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Newsletter



NEWSLETTER ON AFRICA'S PARTICIPATION IN THE OLYMPIC GAMES

PRESS RELEASE

**ANOCA STANDS WITH  
IMANE  
KHELIF!**



**D**eeply dismayed by the comments made by the International Boxing Association (IBA) about Imane Khelif, an Algerian boxer competing at the Paris 2024 Olympic Games, the Association of National Olympic Committees of Africa, through its President, the Honourable Mustapha Berraf, condemns such an utterly unjustified and irresponsible attitude.

The ANOCA Executive Committee would like to express its full backing for Imane Khelif and urges the outstanding athlete to continue her competition, in which she is excelling brilliantly, with a cool head.

More to that, she is in the final of the boxing tournament in the - 66 kg category, and is therefore a gold medal hopeful for Algeria and Africa.

There is no doubt that the entire the African Olympic and Sports Movement is proud of Imane Khelif, as stated by ANOCA President, Mustapha Berraf:

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**ANOCA will always remain committed to the principles of integrity and attachment to Olympic values as advocated by the IOC and will not allow anyone or any party to undermine athletes regardless of their origin, gender or nationality.**



**ANOCA wishes to pay a glowing tribute to the IOC and President Thomas Bach for his unwavering stance against all forms of discrimination in sport and Olympism.**



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