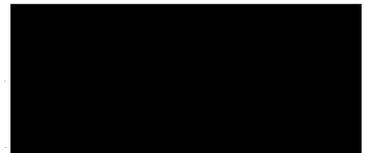


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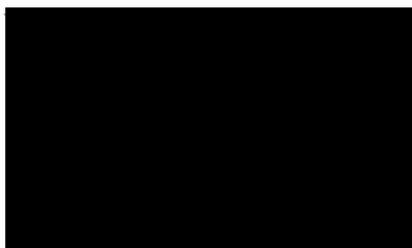
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WEST GERMANY - OLYMPIC GAMES: Medals for Some,
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The consulate in Munich has learned from German police that to date there have been over 100 defectors among East Europeans attending the Olympics. Apparently no athlete or functionary with Olympic documentation has defected.

The figure presumably includes 13 Czech tourists who refused to return home last week. So far this group defection has been the only one reported by the press. The lack of reporting, at least in the past few days, is undoubtedly because the tragedy that befell the Israeli team has completely overshadowed all other events. At least two Poles are also known to have defected.

Defections of East Germans would be particularly embarrassing at this time. Bonn and Pankow are conducting negotiations on a general political treaty that will supposedly include provisions for bilateral cooperation in the fields of justice, culture, and sports. The East German Government permitted approximately 1,000 carefully screened people to attend the games as spectators and has instituted very stringent measures to control their movement and behavior. Defections would detract badly from the favorable publicity East Germany hoped to derive from the considerable accomplishments of its team in competition (49 Olympic medals to date). [REDACTED]

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