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The 21st Maccabiah is postponed by a year and will be held in summer 2022

Maccabi World Union's leadership together with the Maccabiah's Organizing Committee held today a wideranging discussion with the participation of Maccabi leaders and heads of delegations and that have all made the decision to postpone the 21st Maccabiah to for summer 2022.

The dates for the 21st Maccabiah will be July 12 -26, 2022. Opening ceremony on July 14th and Closing ceremony on July 25th.

The main reason for the decision to postpone the Maccabiah by one year is the postponement of the Summer Olympics to 2021 in parallel with the Maccabiah's original dates. Our main goal is to bring the top Jewish athletes to Israel, as was done in the recent Maccabiot and that will compete alongside with the Israeli Olympic athletes, this would have been avoided if the Maccabiah was to be held in summer 2021.

The first Maccabiah took place in 1932 at the Maccabiah Stadium in Tel Aviv and with the exception of World War II was never canceled and always took place a year after the Olympics.

The postponement of the Maccabiah by one year will help the Maccabi leaders and heads of delegations as well as the organizing committee in Israel to recover from the Corona crisis and continue to recruit a record number of athletes who will compete in the Jewish Olympics.

We will continue with the preparations together with our partners in Israel and around the world, and looking forward to welcoming you at the 21st Maccabiah in summer 2022.

Chazak Ve'Amatz!!



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