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The FIDE Presidential Board at its 1st quarter 2005 meeting in Tbilisi, 26-27 February 2005 reviewed several reports regarding the 36th Chess Olympiad in Calvia, Mallorca, Spain.

After considering these reports and the personal experiences of the Presidential Board members, FIDE staff and other officials involved, the Board concluded that preparations and final conditions by the Organisers and the Spanish Chess Federation were far from satisfactory.

The Presidential Board unanimously expressed the view that it no longer has confidence in the leadership of the Spanish Chess Federation. The Presidential Board is also of the view that it can no longer endorse with confidence the awarding of official FIDE events to Spain under the current leadership of the Spanish Chess Federation.

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