



Olympic Torch Carried by Scout Chairman

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On the opening day of the Olympics, Friday 13th, August the flame was carried by Dr. Marie-Louise Correa, Chairman of the World Scout Committee.

She was a Samsung-enlisted Torchbearer, and carried the flame along its final steps. It has been carried around the world by 11,000 torchbearers for the Athens 2004 Olympic Torch Relay.

Dr Correa said, "To be asked to carry the Olympic Flame is a great honour and I'm grateful to Samsung for recognizing the similarities between the Olympic ideals and the Scout Movement."

Dr Correa is a Medical Doctor from Senegal and former Minister of Labour, and Research. She is the first woman and the first black African ever to head the worldwide organisation of 28 million boys and girls, men and women, in 216 countries and territories.

Olympic Truce

The Olympic Truce calling for conflict around the world to cease during the Olympic Games and beyond has been signed jointly by the chairmen of the World Organization of the Scout Movement, and the World Association of Girl Guides and Girl Scouts. It is backed by the United Nations and 160 countries and states.

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