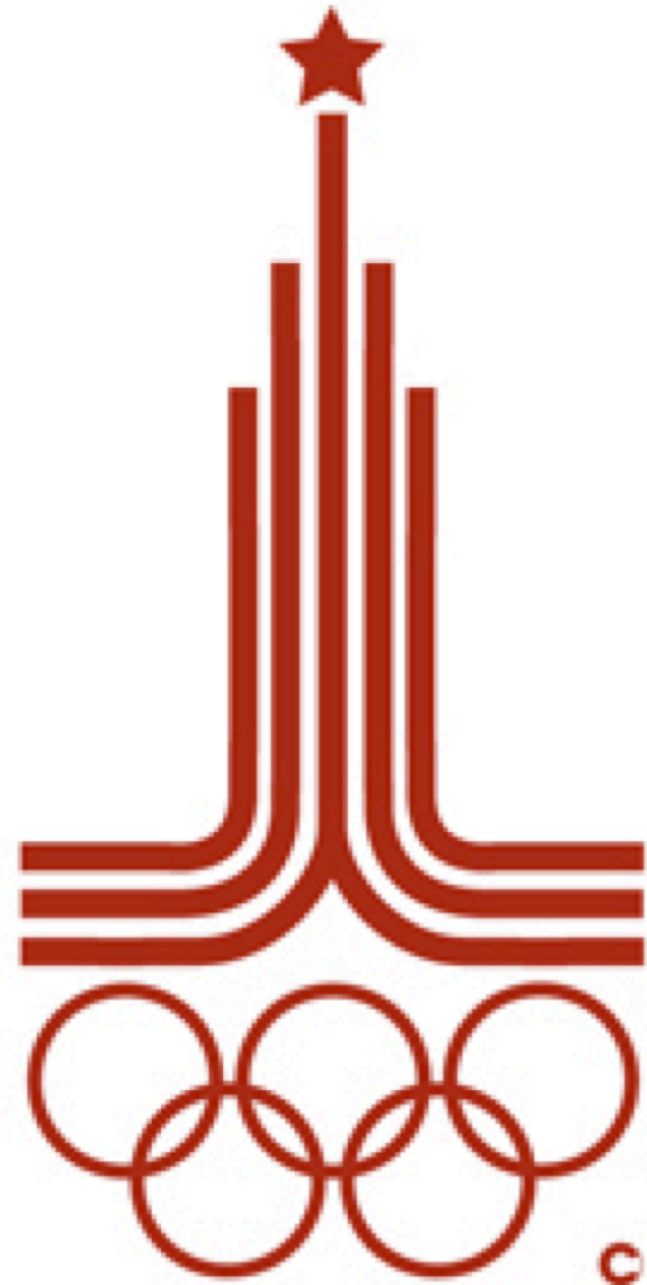


1980 Moscow Summer Olympics



The Moscow Olympics were a valuable research for my first two books. For the Nationalism study, the Moscow Games were a particularly useful analysis in how the ceremonies were scripted to project Soviet unity, socialist power, and the minimization of ethno-national groups and movements within that national discourse.

For my study on the Soviet boycott of the 1984 Summer Olympics, the Moscow games were a critical precursor to the analysis. The American-led boycott of the 1980 games were a critical piece of the 1984 story and Soviet motivations for their own boycott.

