

Identification Card issued to Stylianos Kyriakides at the 1936 Olympic Games

It was this card which saved Kyriakides from almost certain death when German SS officers stopped Kyriakides as he walked home one night in the midst of a round-up of Athenian men for questioning, detention, and for many, execution. Kyriakides was subjected to a lengthy interrogation and after explaining he'd competed in Berlin before Hitler in 1936; was allowed to continue on his trek home.

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