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## CHINA WILL BE HOSTING 2019 FIBA BASKETBALL WORLD CUP

### WON BID OVER PHILIPPINES

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**USPA NEWS** - The remaining countries bidding to organise its flagship event were coming from ASIA : CHINA and PHILIPPINES. Already CHINA won for the 2020 Winter Olympic Games. Double victory for CHINA. CHINA, with its bid, was aiming to focus on developing new initiatives...

China, with its bid, was aiming to focus on developing new initiatives as « Basketball on Campus » where members of the Chinese national team and international star players participate in basketball matches on school campuses. Also, promotion of Grassroots Basketball, including CBO series events, urban and regional basketball league matches, 3X3 basketball matches... (reported by Around The Ring on May 05, 2015). China won with 14 out of 21 votes from FIBA Central Board. Eight cities will be involved in the Games : Nanjing, Suzhou, Wuhan, Guangzhou, Shenzhen, Foshan, Dongguan, Beijing (where the finals will take place). It will be the third Asian country to organize the event : 1978 Philippines, 2006 Japan and 2015 China.

Press release of August 7, in Tokyo, made it official « The Republic of China and the Republic of the Philippines were the two finalists bidding to host FIBA's flagship event four years from now. The decision was taken by FIBA's Central board after both candidates submitted their bids and each gave presentations during the Host Announcement Ceremony. The Central Board vote saw 14 in favour of China's bid, with seven backing that of Philippines. »

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