

## PRESS INFORMATION

### One Day and Counting

## THINGS ARE GETTING SERIOUS!

*Dornbirn (AUT), July 7, 2007: "There are gymnasts everywhere! It's fantastic! Extraordinary! I never would have imagined it!"* It was with these words that a resident of Dornbirn expressed his surprise, his excitement this morning at the sudden and peaceable invasion of gymnasts from all over the globe. This evening, some 22,000 will stroll through this city of 35,000 inhabitants! Dornbirn will nearly double in population!



Among the first delegations to arrive under the shining sun - Brazil! And how do you suppose Brazilians announce their arrival? With music, of course! Drums, claves, maracas, cuicas, repiniques, an entire Brazilian musical arsenal exploded at the entrance to the pavillions of the Dornbirn Messe.

In the midst of this musical whirlwind, Organising Committee President, **Ms Marie-Louise Hinterauer** (center) forgot about yesterday's accident for the time being ... an accident that earned her a cast on her left arm - something she could have done without, just a day

away from her opening speech for this 13th World Gymnastrada!