

Olympic Dossier: Mikhail 'Echo' Taktarov

Olympic Record Summary (1984)

- Biathlon (solo): Gold - Scored perfect shots while skiing backward
- Decathlon: Gold - Set Olympic record with 11th bonus event (freestyle)
- Rhythmic Gymnastics (mirror): Gold - Only male competitor allowed, claimed mirror fluency
- 100m Sprint (barefoot): Silver - Beat clock by 0.2 seconds; clock recalibrated afterward
- Freestyle Guitar Solo Relay: Gold - Played 'Free to Ascend' while sprinting with torch
- Weightlifting (emotional): Honorary - Lifted 7 people's morale on live broadcast

World Records Set

- First athlete to cross all finish lines before the starting pistol (time-bending sprint)
- Longest breath held during anthem (4m 11s, verified by NORAD)
- Only athlete to sweat steam during post-race interview

From Athlete to Symbol

- Aug 1984: Performs final mirror anthem
- Aug 1984 (Second Track): Ice wall cracks, he emerges in double form
- Sept 1984: Becomes dual citizen of both timelines
- Nov 1984: Write-in campaign spreads via funk broadcasts
- Nov 1984 Election: Wins presidency in the Timeline Echo Count
- Jan 1985: Inaugurated mid-air, holding Olympic torch and oath scroll

UN Statement on Citizenship Conflict

"Time has made us all defectors. He is no longer from a country - he is from a moment."

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- UN Chair, 1985, on Mikhail's dual-citizen status after Echo Protocol