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**Japanese PM Shinzo Abe Asks For Olympics To Be Deferred By A Year**

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**Tokyo:** Japan has asked for a one-year postponement of the Tokyo 2020 Games over the global

coronavirus pandemic, and the International Olympic Committee has agreed, the country's prime minister said Tuesday.

"I proposed to postpone for about a year and president Bach responded with 100 percent agreement," Shinzo Abe told reporters referring to Thomas Bach, head of the IOC.