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## ***Jacques Georges passes away***

### **Former President of the French FA and former UEFA President dies age 87**

Jacques Georges passed away yesterday at the age of 87. He was President of the French Football Association from 1969 to 1972 and served on UEFA's Executive Committee from 1972 until 1976. He then became UEFA Vice-President until 1984 when he became President. He was UEFA President until 1990 when he was made Honorary President and continued to serve European football and be active at UEFA Executive meetings. Jacques Georges was also FIFA Vice-President.

UEFA President Lennart Johansson said:

"This is a very sad day for all of us especially those that knew Jacques as a fine football administrator in the many functions that he held within both UEFA and FIFA. I saw him at our last meeting in Nyon in February. He led UEFA and European football through some troubled waters in the 1980s and into a new era.

"Jacques Georges was a great man and the entire football world will miss him."

UEFA CEO Lars-Christer Olsson said:

"Jacques Georges served football throughout his entire life and will be sorely missed by all those who knew him or came into contact with him. We send our sincere condolences to his family and many friends. He will be remembered as one of the true pioneers of European football and a man who had football at his heart."

Former UEFA CEO Gerhard Aigner said:

"Jacques Georges was a real football fan and a gentleman and gave all his spare time to continuing to be involved in the game. I can only use his own words to describe his love for the game when he said '60 years ago I started getting involved in football. I'm completely intoxicated, I live and breath football at times. It is truly a great game'."

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