

SC XVII – 11th Meeting Geneva, 15 – 16 October 2018

Decision Sheet

Decisions:

1. OPENING OF THE MEETING

The Standing Commission was deeply shocked and saddened by the consecutive killings in September and October 2018 of two ICRC medical staff members in northeastern Nigeria. Ms Saifura Hussaini Ahmed Khorsa and Ms Hauwa Mohammed Liman embodied the humanitarian mission of the Red Cross Red Crescent Movement, dedicated to providing lifesaving humanitarian aid and comfort to the people affected by the armed conflict. The Commission conveyed to their families, friends, colleagues and the ICRC its deepest sympathy and solidarity in dealing with this tragedy.

1.1. Agenda

The proposed Agenda for the meeting SC XVII-11 (REV1), was approved as circulated.

1.2. Adoption of minutes

The Minutes of the meeting SC XVII-10 (REV1) in Geneva (Switzerland), 9-10 July 2018, were adopted.

2. TOWARDS 2019 STATUTORY MEETINGS

2.1. Outline agenda and expected outcomes of the Council of Delegates

- The Standing Commission thanked the Joint Organizing Commission (JOC) for presenting the outline of topics for the 2019 Council of Delegates. The Commission requested that the envisaged draft outline agenda be shared with the members for comments and general agreement before the document's dispatch for consultation to all components of the Movement. The JOC should consolidate the draft document with consideration of the recommendations made at the meeting, such as clarifying the objectives of proposed decisions and reports to be submitted to the Council of Delegates with a view to keeping the draft agenda succinct and pertinent, as well as considering possible modalities of their presentations and discussions, and their impact on the duration and structure of the Council of Delegates.
- The Commission recalled that the work it has undertaken would have to be taken into account in the agenda of the Council of Delegates, either to meet the reporting requirements (work of the Standing

Commission, Vision for the Movement, gender equality and equal opportunities in the leadership of the Movement), or possibly to be tabled for decision (position of the Movement on Integrity and Compliance, recommendations for the election to the Standing Commission).

2.2. Towards outline agenda of the 33rd International Conference (33IC)

- The Standing Commission thanked the JOC for a brief report on comments received from National Societies and States on the Concept Note of the 33rd International Conference. The Commission took note of the coming major opportunities for engagement and consultation with the members of the Conference, including the planned circulation of a first draft 'outline of proposed topics for the agenda of the International Conference'. The Commission requested that this document shared with the members for comments and general agreement before being dispatched.
- The Standing Commission took note of the first meeting of the Group of Ambassadors, currently scheduled for 7 December 2018, in presence of its Chair. The Terms of Reference of the Group of Ambassadors would be presented to the Commission for approval before its first meeting.

3. PROPOSALS TO ENHANCE INCLUSIVENESS, DIVERSITY AND FAIRNESS IN ELECTIONS OF THE STANDING COMMISSION

The Standing Commission thanked the task force, composed of the Head of Secretariat and lawyers appointed by the ICRC and the IFRC, for producing and analyzing concrete **proposals to enhance inclusiveness, diversity and fairness in elections to the Standing Commission** as requested at its previous meeting (SC XVII-10), with the aim to improve the nomination process, encourage the achievement of a more balanced geographical and gender distribution among the candidates and members, and promote the renewal in the membership by setting a limit on the number of terms. Based on the Standing Commission's guidance, the task force was invited to refine and complete the proposals and the implementation plan to be confirmed at the Commission's next meeting in view of decisions to be taken and implemented before and during statutory meetings in 2019.

4. RED CRYSTAL

The Standing Commission thanked the ICRC for presenting the findings report on its internal survey on the acceptance and perception of the red crystal and on efforts for its promotion. In line with its previous decision on the matter (SC XVII-6, June 2017), the Standing Commission will regularly review the evolution of challenges and opportunities for further development.

5. COMMUNICATION: MOVEMENT LOGO AND STATUTORY BODIES

On the basis of its previous decision, the Standing Commission took note of the on-going, yet inconclusive, contacts between ICRC and IFRC representatives in the Commission and the head of the Secretariat about the **use of the Movement's logo by the Standing Commission**.

6. **PROGRESS REPORTS** - Project of a registry of RC/RC workers' loss of life in the line of duty (follow-up SC XVII-9)

The Standing Commission thanked the Head of the Secretariat for his preliminary work of contact with various services of the ICRC and the IFRC for better collecting and managing information and statistics on the loss of life in the line of duty among workers (staff and volunteers) of the RC/RC Movement. It

reaffirmed its support for the creation of an effective mechanism to collect and manage this information of interest for the Movement. In this regard, it noted with satisfaction the willingness of the two Genevabased institutions to be better prepared to gather, consolidate and provide the information needed to pay tribute to those who lost their lives in the line of duty. The Head of the Secretariat would provide support as appropriate in particular for the tributes to be considered as part of the Movement's statutory meetings.

7. WORK PLAN 2018-2019

The work plan's character as an evolving working document was underlined and it would be adjusted according to the current discussions and decisions.

8. FINANCE OF THE STANDING COMMISSION

The proposed budget for 2019 was approved in principle at the previous meeting (see SC XVII-10). The members of the Commission were invited to confirm in writing their approval on the basis of the information circulated by the Head of Secretariat.