

SC XVIII – 6th Meeting (videoconference)

29 – 30 June 2021

Decision Sheet

(Due to the prolonged COVID-19 pandemic and disruptions to international travels, the SC18-6th meeting was once again organized via videoconference in two three-hour sessions.)

1. OPENING OF THE MEETING: WELCOME AND PROCEDURAL MATTERS

The Standing Commission

- approved the proposed Agenda for the meeting SC 18-6 (REV1) as circulated.
- adopted the minutes of the videoconference meeting SC 18-5 (REV1), 8-9 March 2021.

**2. PREPARATION OF THE 2022 COUNCIL OF DELEGATES
(AND UPDATE ON 33RD AND 34TH INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCES)**

a) Dates, format and participation issues

The Standing Commission

- endorsed the proposed hybrid format for the next Council of Delegates, including an in-person plenary meeting to cover the official agenda and decisions of the Council, preceded by a programme of virtual/online workshops that would start in January 2022 as a journey prior to the Council's convening.
- confirmed its intention that the dates of the next Council of Delegates, in May 2022 or later in the year depending on changing health and travel conditions, be confirmed by early October 2021 at the latest, after consultation with the IFRC for its General Assembly. The Chair is specifically entrusted with:
 - preparing the decision of the Standing Commission in coordination with the IFRC President and leadership for their General Assembly, and in consultation with the Commission's members as appropriate.
 - ensuring with the co-organizers that in case of confirmation of the Council of Delegates in May 2022, the Standing Commission will be in a position at its next meeting to take the necessary decisions to send out the convocation in accordance with the statutory deadlines (e.g. draft provisional agenda and programme; list and draft zero of the resolutions; participation rules).

b) Towards the agenda and programme for the 2022 Council of Delegates

The Standing Commission

- endorsed the proposed concept and program of workshops that would start in January 2022.
 - Although taking place before the formal opening of the Council, the Standing Commission agreed with the principle that the outcomes of the workshops should be reflected in the official summary record of the Council, with modalities and format to be determined.

- noted the results of the consultations with National Societies on the concept of the Council of Delegates and the elements of the resolutions proposed for adoption at the next Council, and encouraged further relevant consultations to prepare the Standing Commission's forthcoming approval of the Council's draft provisional agenda and its working documents.

c) Information on a Movement's global online event on pandemics and climate change (in last quarter 2021)

The Standing Commission noted the progress made by the IFRC and the ICRC in convening a global Movement online event highlighting the Movement's common positions on climate change, the COVID-19 pandemic and its commitment to localisation. This event, to which the Standing Commission has indicated its readiness to contribute as appropriate, would be held around 18-21 October as a prelude to the Climate Change Conference (COP26) scheduled for early November 2021.

d) Update on 33rd and 34th International Conferences

The Standing Commission

- noted with satisfaction the development and forthcoming launch of a new reporting system for members of the International Conference, enabling them to report on the implementation of the resolutions adopted and pledges made at the 33rd International Conference.
- congratulated the ICRC and IFRC teams involved for the production and publication of the official report of the 33rd International Conference (and the 2019 Council of Delegates), the "Blue Book", which is now available to all online in four languages.

3. UPDATES ON OUTSTANDING ISSUES FOR THE MOVEMENT AND FOLLOW-UPS OF PARTICULAR INTEREST TO THE STANDING COMMISSION

a) MoU/AOA between MDA and PRCS

The Standing Commission

- praised the ICRC and IFRC for their joint communication of 2 June 2021 to the whole Movement on the Movement-wide response to the recent crisis in the occupied Palestinian Territories and Israel, including their joint statements respectively with the Palestine Red Crescent Society (PRCS) and the Magen David Adom in Israel (MDA).
- expressed concern over the lack of recent progress in the implementation of the Memorandum of Understanding of 28 November 2005 between the MDA and the PRCS, renewing its call to all stakeholders concerned to ensure that the commitments and obligations of each are fully implemented well in advance of the next Council of Delegates in 2022, in accordance with [Resolution 10 of the 2019 Council of Delegates](#).

b) Collective impact of the Movement, review/update of Seville Agreement & Supplementary Measures, SMCC 2.0

The Standing Commission noted the forthcoming consultation of all National Societies by the ICRC and IFRC on the following two documents, previously discussed with the Movement Advisory Group:

- Revised Movement Collective Impact Value Proposition
- Draft proposal for consultation with all National Societies on, 'Enhancing the Movement's collective impact and a review of the Seville Agreement and Supplementary Measures

c) Implementation of the Movement Integrity Statement

The Standing Commission noted the impending convening, on 7 July 2021, of the first meeting of the Working Group for the follow up of the Statement on Integrity of the International Red Cross and Red Crescent Movement as adopted by the 2019 Council of Delegates, in which the Standing Commission will be represented by its Vice-

Chair as observer, as will be the IFRC Compliance and Mediation Committee. In addition, the Working Group is comprised of 15 National Societies, the ICRC, and the IFRC.

d) Other updates as relevant

The Standing Commission noted the participation and respective statements of the [ICRC](#) and [IFRC](#) at [Grand Bargain annual meeting](#) (15 June 2021).

4. MOVEMENT AWARDS (HENRY DUNANT MEDAL & RCRC PRIZE FOR PEACE & HUMANITY)

a) Update on nominations for the 2021-22 Henry Dunant Medal

The Standing Commission took note of the current status of nominations received for the Henry Dunant Medal 2021-22. It reiterated its wish that National Societies, the ICRC, the IFRC and its own members comply with the deadline of 10 September 2021 for submitting nominations. While the Standing Commission will give the utmost consideration to the need for an exceptional nature of the nominees' achievements, it reiterated its commitment to fostering diversity and inclusion among nominees, particularly in terms of non-discriminatory and balanced representation of genders, geographical regions, ages and functions in the Movement.

b) Update on the work of the Advisory Group on Movement Awards Regulations

The Standing Commission took note of the report by Fine Tu'itupou-Arnold on the first meeting on 14 June 2021 of the Advisory Group on Movement Award Regulations, which she chairs; the Group's guidelines and proposals for the revision of the Regulations will be considered at the next meeting of the Standing Commission.

Following the adoption of its Terms of Reference (SC18-5), the composition of the Advisory Group was established as follows, with representatives of National Societies (with due regard to geographical and gender balance), the ICRC and the IFRC:

Chair	Fine TU'ITUPOU-ARNOLD, Member of the Standing Commission, Secretary General, Cook Islands Red Cross Society
Africa	Pamphile KANTABAZE, President, Burundi Red Cross
Americas	Ximena PARDO CASARETTO, President, Uruguayan Red Cross
Asia Pacific	Moses Stevens JENERY, President, Vanuatu Red Cross Society
Europe	Virginie STREIT, Head of International Relations, French Red Cross
MENA	Abdel Karim BENSIALI, Adviser, Red Crescent Society of the United Arab Emirates
ICRC	Emmanuel SEÏTÉ, Adviser, Movement Funds and Medals
IFRC	Françoise LE GOFF, Director, Global Services Centre

5. FINANCE OF THE STANDING COMMISSION

The Standing Commission

- thanked the vice-chair, George Weber, for his review report on the 2020 accounts.
- approved the review report as well as the 2020 statement of income and expenses and the balance sheet as presented.

6. MOVEMENT STATUTORY AND POLICY FRAMEWORK

The Standing Commission welcomed the outcome of its workshop on "Effective Movement policy-making, monitoring, accountability and compliance", expressing its gratitude to the chair of the IFRC Mediation and Compliance Committee, the chair of the joint ICRC-IFRC Statutes Commission and the ICRC and IFRC experts for their contributions to this workshop.