

**XVI Session of the Standing Commission  
of the Red Cross and Red Crescent  
2<sup>nd</sup> meeting**

**Decisions**

March 12-13, 2012  
Hotel *Moulin sur Mer*  
Haiti

**Decision 1**

Minutes of the SC XVI -1 meeting were adopted as revised 19.12.2011. The minutes will be included in the formal records of the 31<sup>st</sup> International Conference, in the 'Blue Book' (attached).

**Action:** SC secretariat

**Decision 2**

On future working procedures:

- 2.1. Preparedness to meet for two (2) full day meetings for in-depth and analytical discussions in a harmonious environment; for decision-making sessions shorter meetings are preferred.
- 2.1. Meetings open on day 1 and alternate between open and executive sessions, with or without minutes as agreed;
- 2.2. SC members to be the primary speakers, others are welcome to intervene / complement as needed;
- 2.3. Decisions / action sheet to follow immediately after a meeting; to be shared with relevant others within the ICRC/IFRC and to be published on the SC website;
- 2.4. Minutes to follow with summary of deliberations and to remain confidential for SC members only;
- 2.5. Briefings on specific topics to be included as needed, sometimes in advance of the meeting; SC secretariat to prepare with ICRC and/or IFRC based on expressed wishes by all SC members;
- 2.6. If needed, the SC will authorize and guide its Chair to speak publicly for the Standing Commission on matters related to all components of the Movement on a specific topic or topics;
- 2.7. SC to operate as "Think Tank" on Movement-wide issues determined by Chair on topics nominated by any SC member.

**Action:** SC Chair with SC secretariat

**Decision 3**

The new Secretary – Head of Secretariat of the Standing Commission is Mr Tore Svenning as of 1 May 2012.

**Action:** SC Chair

#### **Decision 4**

The SC took note of the report & recommendations by the Commissioner for the 31<sup>st</sup> IC, Ambassador Jean-François Paroz, and will revert to his recommendations when embarking on the preparations for the 32<sup>nd</sup> IC.

**Action:** SC Chair and secretariat

#### **Decision 5**

On the Plan of Action 2012-2013

- 5.1. The SC will at its September 2012 meeting hear from the ICRC and the IFRC on **how** they will monitor and follow-up the outcomes of the 2011 CoD and the 31<sup>st</sup> IC, including pledges, and report on progress to the SC;
- 5.2. As part of its mandate, the SC will lead the development of an agenda for the 2013 CoD and will start the process by considering options at its September 2012 meeting;
- 5.3. The CoD 2013 will be planned to run for 2 days;
- 5.4. Work carried forward from SC XV through CoD Resolution 3/2011 concerning Movement fora will be assisted and advised by a working group to be chaired and led by Steve Carr; members will be invited by SC Chair in consultation with members; the Federation Youth Commission will nominate a member to the w/g;
- 5.5. The mandate of the working group is to focus on the task as per the wording in CoD Resolution 3/2011; Steven Carr will report on progress to the Standing Commission (attached: Revised ToR)
- 5.6. The SC will itself deal with the issue of a future Strategy / vision for the Movement or similar and address issues forwarded to it by the previous Commission in its report to the 2011 CoD;
- 5.7. The draft Plan of Action will be revised as per SC discussion for adoption by the September 2012 meeting;
- 5.8. SC decided on the following meeting dates for 2012 and 2013:  
  
17-18 September 2012 in Geneva vicinity  
12-13 November 2012 in Geneva (dated agreed tentatively, to be reviewed at the September meeting)  
  
25-26 March 2013 in Geneva  
16-17 September 2013 in Geneva  
15/16 November 2013 in Sydney

**Action:**

- 5.1. ICRC and IFRC
- 5.2. All, with preparation by the JOC
- 5.4. Steve Carr with SC Chair
- 5.5. Steve Carr with SC Chair
- 5.7. SC secretariat

### **Decision 6**

On Financial matters

- 6.1. The accounts 2011 were approved
- 6.2. The budget proposal 2012 – 2013 was approved after setting the contributions from National Societies at the same level with ICRC and the IFRC at CHF 188'533 in 2012 in accordance with the adopted principle of 1/3 per component.
- 6.3. The 2013 budget will be reviewed in March 2013.

**Action:** SC secretariat

### **Decision 7**

On Recognition of Cyprus Red Cross

The SC adopted the attached statement and appointed Dr Mohammed Al-Hadid as its representative, who will report back on progress made.

**Action:** Dr Al-Hadid

### **Decision 8**

On Board of Arbitrators

The Rules of Procedure of the Board were retained unchanged as adopted by the 1995 CoD. No list of names of arbitrators will be kept. Qualified persons to act as arbitrator will be identified and invited by the SC as and when needed.

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