

19th SESSION OF THE STANDING COMMISSION OF THE RED CROSS AND RED CRESCENT

Meeting SC 19 - 02

17 - 18 March 2025

Lausanne

Decision sheet

1. Opening of the meeting: welcome and procedural matters

Decisions:

The Standing Commission

- approved the draft Agenda for the meeting SC19-02 as circulated.
- adopted the minutes of the SC18-16 meeting held on 25 October 2024.
- adopted the minutes of the SC19-01 meeting of 30 October 2024, which will be included in the proceedings of the 34th International Conference in accordance with rules 22.2 and 31 of the Movement's Rules of Procedure.
- 2. New membership, key functions, legacy
- 3. Outstanding issues for the Movement
- 4. Strategic orientations for the 19th Session of the Standing Commission

Decisions:

The Standing Commission welcomed the exchange of views between its members on the far-reaching changes in the global geopolitical situation since the 34th International Conference, and their consequences for the humanitarian sector and the action of the Movement, its components, and its statutory meetings.

5. Statutory Meetings: learning from 2024 and engaging in a new preparatory cycle (2025-2028)

Decisions:

The Standing Commission

- expressed gratitude to the Joint Organizing Committee and the Standing Commission's secretariat for
 preparing the lessons learned reports from the 2025 Statutory Meetings, including a survey report, as
 well as the 2024 Movement awards and the election of the Standing Commission at the 34th
 International Conference, welcoming the recommendations, which should be gradually unpacked
 while engaging in the new cycle of Statutory Meetings (2025-2028).
- reiterated its deep appreciation to the Chair, Secretary General and officers of the 34th International Conference and everyone involved in the preparation, organization, and management of the 2024 Statutory Meetings, whose efforts ensured their success in a challenging, complex, and ever-changing political and humanitarian environment.
- provisionally confirmed the relevance of the vision and five guiding objectives of the 2020-2024 Statutory Meetings (see appendix below) for the new 2025-2028 cycle of Statutory Meetings, which



- would be taken into account, if necessary refined, in the development of concepts for the forthcoming Statutory Meetings.
- decided not to convene a Council of Delegates of the Movement on the occasion of the extraordinary session of the IFRC's General Assembly of December 2025, after considering Articles 15.1 and 18.4 of the Movement's Statutes.

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7. Movement Policy Framework project

Decisions:

The Standing Commission

- Encouraged the continuation of the Movement Policy Framework (MPF) project in the direction defined by Resolution 9 of the 2024 Council of Delegates (CD/24/R9), including setting up a collaborative process for its development it with the help of the Movement's components.
- Expressed its gratitude to Ms. Durham for accepting the lead among its members on the MPF project, to the Swedish Red Cross for extending its support until the 2026 Council of Delegates by making Ms. Ottosson available as project manager, and to the National Societies that have already expressed a willingness to partake in its realization.

8. Finance of the Standing Commission

Decisions:

The Standing Commission

- noted the availability of its 2024 financial statements, which will be re-examined for approval once they have been audited.
- expressed its gratitude to the 62 National Societies which, at the time of this meeting, had contributed to the 2024 budget of the Standing Commission.
- agreed to revise and significantly reduce its 2025 budget due to the exceptional circumstances of the Movement's deteriorating financial situation.
- [subsequent decision of 8 April 2025] approved its budget of CHF 525'000.- in 2025, setting its target for contributions of CHF 131'250.- from National Societies (voluntary contributions), the IFRC and the ICRC respectively, expressing its gratitude to the Swedish Red Cross for its additional contribution of seconded staff to the Movement Policy Framework project.