

INTERNATIONAL COMMITTEE OF THE RED CROSS

Recognition of the Nepalese Red Cross Society

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*To the Central Committees of the National
Red Cross, Red Crescent, Red Lion and Sun Societies*

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN,

We have the honour to inform you of the official recognition, on October 1, 1964, of the Nepalese Red Cross Society by the International Committee of the Red Cross.

This Society applied for recognition in a letter dated August 20, 1964. The application was accompanied by an official declaration by the Minister of Health of the Government of Nepal, recognizing the Society as an auxiliary to the public authorities, together with a text of the Society's Statutes and a report on its activities.

The study of these documents has shown that the ten conditions for recognition of a new Society by the International Committee have been duly fulfilled. These documents have also been examined in connection with the Secretariat of the League of Red Cross Societies.

The International Committee has pleasure, therefore, in announcing the recognition of this Society, which brings the number of member Societies of the International Red Cross to one hundred and three.

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Of recent constitution, the Nepalese Red Cross has benefited, since its formation, from the support of representatives of the International Red Cross institutions. Its activity extends to the principal regions of the country and, with the aid of sister Societies, this in particular applies to blood transfusion, to assisting the victims of natural disasters and in the running of an ambulance service. The new Society, which will be given the services of a technical adviser from the League of Red Cross Societies during the next few months, proposes to extend its activity progressively and extend it to other spheres in the vast field of action open to the Red Cross.

The Government of Nepal acceded to the Geneva Conventions of 1949 on February 7, 1964.

With a Central Committee at its head, the Nepalese Red Cross Society has H.R.H. Princess Princep Shah as its President ; the Secretary-General is Dr. Jaya Narayan Giri and the headquarters of the Society are at Kathmandu.

The International Committee of the Red Cross has great pleasure in welcoming this new Society into the International Red Cross, accrediting it by this notice to all other National Societies and recommending it to their kind attention. It expresses its best wishes for the Society's future and for the success of its charitable work.

FOR THE INTERNATIONAL COMMITTEE
OF THE RED CROSS

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