

discussed various humanitarian issues during their meeting, which gave the ICRC President the opportunity to emphasize how much the Federal Republic of Germany's support to the institution's activities was appreciated.

During the visit, Mr. Richard von Weizsäcker was accompanied by Dr. Hans Arnold, Ambassador of the Federal Republic of Germany to the United Nations in Geneva, and by members of his staff.

Visit by the President of the Republic of Senegal

Mr. Abdou Diouf, President of the Republic of Senegal and current Chairman of the Organization of African Unity (OAU), and Mrs. Abdou Diouf, Honorary President of the Senegalese Red Cross, visited the ICRC on 18 June 1986.

Mr. Diouf was received by Mr. Alexandre Hay, President of the ICRC, members of the Committee and Directorate and heads of the main services of the institution. Cheikh Hamidou Kane, Minister of Planning and Co-operation, Mr. Andre Sonko, Minister of Public Offices, Work and Employment, Mrs. Mantoulaye Guene, Minister of Social Development, and Mr. Alioune Sene, Ambassador to Switzerland and Permanent Representative of Senegal to the Office of the United Nations at Geneva, accompanied Mr. Diouf during his visit.

During the meeting between the OAU's current Chairman and leading members of the ICRC a wide-reaching exchange of views on the current situation in Africa took place. Of the ICRC's 37 delegations throughout the world, no less than 14 are in Africa, so that the ICRC and the OAU have a number of common concerns, and close dialogue between the two organizations is therefore of great importance.
