

INTERNATIONAL COMMITTEE
OF THE RED CROSS

**Twenty-third award of the
Florence Nightingale Medal**

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

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN,

In its Circular No. 479 of August 23, 1970, the International Committee of the Red Cross had the honour to invite the Central Committees of National Societies to send in the names of nurses and voluntary aids whom they judged qualified to receive the Florence Nightingale Medal. This invitation, which quoted Article 1 of the Regulations, was accompanied by questionnaires bearing various headings for the candidatures.

The first object of this Medal is to honour nurses and voluntary aids who have distinguished themselves exceptionally by their devotion to sick or wounded in the difficult and perilous situations which often prevail in times of war or public disasters. The Regulations also provide that a maximum number of 36 medals shall be awarded every two years and that the candidates' names must reach the International Committee of the Red Cross before March 1 of the year in which the distribution takes place.

In accordance with these Regulations, the International Committee, after a careful study of the 45 files submitted by 25 National Societies, has the pleasure of announcing that for the Twenty-third Distribution the Medal has been awarded to the following nurses and voluntary aids ¹:

AUSTRALIA

1. *Group Officer Betty Bristow Docker*, Certified Nurse, Tutor Sister. Director of RAAF Nursing Services.
2. *Matron Constance Amy Fall*, Graduate Nurse, Chairman, Red Cross Youth, New South Wales Division of the Australian Red Cross Society. Member of Divisional Council and Executive Committee.

CANADA

3. *Miss Evelyn Agnes Pepper*, Professional Nurse; Former Nursing Consultant, Emergency Health Services Division, Department of National Health and Welfare.

CZECHOSLOVAKIA

4. *Madame Marie Hajkova*, infirmière volontaire de la Croix-Rouge tchécoslovaque. Infirmière à l'Hospice des vieillards "Saint-Thomas" à Prague.

EL SALVADOR

5. *Sor Luz Isabel Cueva Santana*, Enfermera diplomada. Directora Fundadora del Hospital "La Divina Providencia".

FINLAND

6. *Miss Rita Birgitta Berggren*, Graduate Nurse, Public Health Nurse and Midwife. Matron of the Finnish Red Cross Outakoski Cottage Hospital.

¹ Since the designation, qualifications and duties of nursing personnel do not always have an exact equivalent in the various languages, it seemed to be preferable to leave them as in the original text.

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GERMANY (DEM. REP.)

7. *Frau Marta Strasser*, Freiwillige Rotkreuzhelferin.

GREAT BRITAIN

8. *Miss Gwyneth Ceris Jones*, S.R.N., Sister Tutor; Former Chief Nursing Officer of the British Red Cross Society.
9. *Miss Marjorie Houghton*, M.B.E., A.R.R.C., S.R.N., Midwife, Headquarters Field Officer with the British Honduras Branch of the British Red Cross Society.

GREECE

10. *Madame Aristeia Papadatou*, auxiliaire-volontaire. Ancienne Inspectrice générale du Corps des Infirmières.
11. *Madame Olinga Fikiori*, auxiliaire volontaire. Ancienne Inspectrice générale du Corps des Infirmières.

JAPAN

12. *Miss Otome Mori*, Graduate Nurse; Matron of the Takatsuki Red Cross Hospital.
13. *Miss Matsue Kobayashi*, Graduate Nurse; Former Matron of the Himeji Red Cross Hospital.
14. *Miss Soyo Kurimoto*, Graduate Nurse; Nurse of the Toshima Hospital for Internal Disease. Former Matron of the National Hikininosono Sanatorium.

KOREA (REPUBLIC)

15. *Mrs. Oak Soon Hong*, Graduate Nurse; Head of Nursing School, Kyung Hee University, Seoul.
16. *Miss Shin Young Hong*, Graduate Nurse; Dean of the College of Nursing, Yon Sei University, Seoul.

MEXICO

17. *Señora Dolores Campos de Estrada*, Enfermera diplomada; Coordinadora de los Servicios del Personal Voluntario del Comité Central de Damas de la Cruz Roja Mexicana.

MONGOLIA

18. *Mrs. Batin Dulma*, Graduate Nurse; Senior Nurse, Maternity Home, Ulan Bator.
19. *Mrs. Dambin Norovdava*, Graduate Nurse; Surgical Nurse, First clinic, Department of Traumatology and Orthopaedy, Ulan Bator.

NORWAY

20. *Miss Helga Dagsland*, Graduate Nurse. Assistant Director, The Advanced School of Nursing Education; President of the Norwegian Nurses' Association.
21. *Miss Elsa Caroline Semmelmann*, Graduate Nurse; Former Principal of Finnmark School for Nurses, Hammerfest.

PAKISTAN

22. *Miss Safdari Beg, T.Q.A.*, Graduate Nurse; Director of Armed Forces Nursing Service (Colonel)

PHILIPPINES

23. *Miss Annie Sand*, Graduate Nurse; Nursing Consultant, Office of the Secretary, Department of Health, Manila.
24. *Miss A. Rabina Teodorica*, Graduate Nurse; Chapter Administrator, Philippine National Red Cross, Batangas City.

SOUTH AFRICA

25. *Miss Doreen Henrietta Radloff*, Graduate Nurse; Midwife; Sister Tutor; Organizing Secretary, South African Nursing Association, Pretoria.

SWEDEN

26. *Miss Majsa Andrell*, Graduate Nurse; Head of Section of the National Swedish Board of Health and Welfare.

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27. *Madame Maria Zakharovna Chtcherbatchenko*, auxiliaire-volontaire; Instructrice sanitaire.
28. *Madame Zinaïda Ivanovna Smirnova*, auxiliaire-volontaire; Avocate.
29. *Madame Matliuba Ichankhojaeva*, Infirmière diplômée; Infirmière à la polyclinique pédiatrique de Tachkent.

YUGOSLAVIA

30. † *Mademoiselle Dobrila Petronijević*, infirmière volontaire de la Croix-Rouge.
31. † *Mademoiselle Darinka Nestorović*, infirmière volontaire de la Croix-Rouge.
32. † *Madame Joveva Ivanka Karadjozova*, infirmière diplômée.
33. † *Mademoiselle Milesa Stanojlović*, auxiliaire volontaire de la Croix-Rouge.
34. *Infirmière Razija Ajanović*, infirmière diplômée; Collaboratrice pour la protection de la mère et de l'enfant dans l'Institut pour la protection sanitaire de la République socialiste de Bosnie et d'Herzégovine.
35. *Mademoiselle Slavijanka Vlahčeva*, infirmière diplômée.

The medals and diplomas, accompanied in each case by a photogravure reproduction of the portrait of Florence Nightingale, will be sent as quickly as possible to the Central Committees. The International Committee of the Red Cross would like to receive acknowledgments of their receipt in due course.

The Committee would be grateful if the Medals could be presented in the course of this year and requests the Central Committees to give the ceremony a character of solemnity as the founders of this distinction desired. It would be pleased to publish in the *International Review of the Red Cross* an account—if possible

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with photographs—of the ceremony organized in this connection. It requests National Societies to send it the necessary material for such publication not later than the end of February 1972.

The International Committee wishes also to call to mind that, in order to be able to assess the merits of candidates, it can only base itself upon reports submitted to it by the National Societies. These reports must therefore be as explicit as possible.

FOR THE INTERNATIONAL COMMITTEE OF THE RED CROSS

Marcel A. Naville, *President*