

INTERNATIONAL COMMITTEE OF THE RED CROSS

Nomination to the Executive Board

At its meeting on 1 March 1979, the ICRC Assembly appointed to the Executive Board Dr. Athos Gallino, a medical doctor, mayor of Bellinzona and a member of the ICRC Assembly since 1977. The ICRC is gratified to know that its Executive Board will henceforth have the benefit of Dr. Gallino's wide experience.

Three ratifications of the Protocols

The September-October 1978 edition of the *International Review of the Red Cross* announced the coming into force, on 7 December 1978, of the Protocols additional to the Geneva Conventions of 1949, following the ratification by the Republic of Ghana and the accession of the Socialist People's Libyan Arab Jamahiriya.

Since that publication, the Republic of El Salvador deposited, on 23 November 1978, its instrument of ratification of the two Protocols with the Federal Political Department in Bern. The Protocols therefore came into force for the Republic of El Salvador on 23 May 1979.

The Republic of Ecuador deposited its instrument of ratification of the two Protocols with the Federal Political Department on 10 April 1979. They will therefore come into force for this State on 10 October 1979.

The Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan deposited its instrument of ratification of the two Protocols with the Federal Political Department on 1 May 1979. The Protocols will therefore enter into force for this State on 1 November 1979.
