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The bibliography, edited by Miss Huynh Thi Huong and jointly published by the ICRC and the Henry Dunant Institute, fills a long-felt need in the field of research in international humanitarian law.

The idea was originally put forward by Mr. Jiri Toman, Assistant Director of the Henry Dunant Institute, who compiled in 1977 the *Basic Bibliography of International Humanitarian Law*, which provided in a handy typewritten booklet all the titles of basic publications in this field of law. His work proved so useful that it was immediately sold out.

Wishing to provide an efficient working instrument to circles interested in the subject, the ICRC entrusted a particularly qualified lawyer, Miss Huynh Thi Huong, with the drawing-up of a more elaborate bibliography of international humanitarian law. She worked under Mr. J. Toman's direction and with the co-operation of the Henry Dunant Institute.

In establishing this bibliography without assigned geographical or linguistic limitations, Miss Huynh has achieved almost universal coverage. The bibliography contains over 5,000 titles of monographs or articles reproduced in their original languages and selected from collections of documents, reviews and periodicals published in various parts of the world.

We are convinced that the impressive amount of material it contains and the accuracy of its references will make this bibliography invaluable for all research work in international humanitarian law.

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¹ *Bibliography of International Humanitarian Law applicable in armed conflicts*, by Huynh Thi Huong. Foreword by Jean Pictet. Geneva, ICRC and Henry Dunant Institute, 1980, 390 pages, 42 Swiss francs.