

Resolutions and Decisions of the Council of Delegates

The Council of Delegates met in Geneva on 13 and 14 October 1983 and adopted the following resolutions:

RESOLUTION 1

Red Cross and disarmament

The Council of Delegates,

considering that the Red Cross role in promoting disarmament is an inherent part of its contribution towards true peace, and that its efforts should be integrated in the general endeavour to attain peace, which the Preamble to the Programme of Action of the Red Cross as a Factor of Peace defines as “a dynamic process of co-operation among all States and peoples; co-operation founded on freedom, independence, national sovereignty, equality, respect of human rights, as well as a fair and equitable distribution of resources to meet the needs of peoples”,

recalling that the Programme of Action of the Red Cross as a Factor of Peace, adopted in Bucharest in 1977, emphasizes that it is the duty of all National Societies, and of the League and the ICRC, to contribute to disarmament and support efforts in that direction,

noting that the United Nations have launched a world campaign for disarmament and asked non-governmental organizations to support it, *defines* its position as follows:

1. World campaign for disarmament

The Red Cross, as a pacific, active and efficient—i.e. pacifying—organization, should associate itself with this world campaign for disarmament in accordance with the Red Cross ideal and principles whilst keeping away from inter-State quarrels and rivalry.

2. The moral authority of the Red Cross

It is the Red Cross ideal, and respect for its principles, that give the Red Cross moral authority to promote disarmament. This authority is inoperative unless the Red Cross movement is united; therefore International Red Cross decisions in support of disarmament must be adopted by consensus.

3. General attitude

The Red Cross is deeply concerned by the arms race and especially with the existence of weapons of mass destruction. It ardently desires disarmament and feels duty-bound to urge governments to take all possible action to achieve it.

It is preparing for the 1986 International Red Cross Conference in that spirit and at the same time acknowledging the respective competences of governments and of the Red Cross.

4. Bringing about an atmosphere conducive to disarmament

The Red Cross must do what it can to bring about an atmosphere favourable to the lessening of tension, as a necessary preliminary to adopting agreements on disarmament.

The following are some of the ways in which such an atmosphere can be brought about:

1. Actions of human solidarity by the constituent bodies of the International Red Cross, in conformity with their respective mandates, in aid of victims of armed conflicts or natural disasters, and activities to promote the dissemination and respect of international humanitarian law.
2. Urging governments to accede to instruments of international humanitarian law, and instruments additional thereto, by which they are not yet bound.
3. Efforts to introduce into educational programmes the study of international humanitarian law and of the Red Cross ideals and principles.
4. Enlisting the support of the public at large for the principles of international humanitarian law and Red Cross ideals and principles.

5. Information

It is for each National Society to make known in its own country, particularly to the government, the International Red Cross attitude to

disarmament and the action taken by the International Red Cross to promote disarmament. Where it sees fit the Society may also make known the action taken by the constituent bodies of the Red Cross movement to promote disarmament, in accordance with Red Cross goals and principles and the respective powers and responsibilities of these bodies.

6. Special recommendations

1. A historical study should be made of Red Cross action to promote disarmament, beginning with the resolutions adopted by the various constituent bodies of the International Red Cross. The Henry Dunant Institute might be asked to do this.
2. The creation in universities of chairs of international humanitarian law should be encouraged.
3. The Second World Red Cross and Red Crescent Conference on Peace should, when examining the implementation of the above-mentioned Programme of Action of the Red Cross as a Factor of Peace, attach special importance to the Red Cross contribution to disarmament.

7. Conclusion

Action by the National Societies, the League and the ICRC to promote disarmament should be prompted by the above resolution.

RESOLUTION 2

Contribution of the Red Cross and Red Crescent to safeguarding and consolidating true peace

The Council of Delegates,

recalling Resolutions LXIV of the seventeenth International Conference of the Red Cross, XI of the eighteenth, XVIII of the nineteenth, XXVIII of the twentieth, XX of the twenty-first, XII of the twenty-third and XIII of the twenty-fourth Conference and Resolutions 23 and 4 adopted respectively by the sessions of the Council of Delegates in 1963 and 1979,

deploring the recurrence of armed conflicts in various parts of the world,
noting with deep concern the deplorable state of international relations

and the existence of areas of tension entailing the risk of war, which involves the risk of the use even of nuclear weapons and other weapons of mass destruction,

realizing that, while wars are becoming ever more horrendous, a possible large scale use of armaments, including nuclear weapons and other weapons of mass destruction, would have effects exceeding by far those of the weapons commonly used so far and would pose grave risks to human civilization,

confirming that the Red Cross, nationally and internationally, through its many and varied activities, is an effective moral force capable of promoting true peace,

supporting the Appeal by the Chairman of the Standing Commission of the International Red Cross, the President of the ICRC and the President of the League to the United Nations General Assembly at its second special session devoted to disarmament,

recognizing that the continuation of the arms race at the present rate may contribute to the risk of war and is not conducive to true peace, which could only be attained through a process involving steps towards general and complete disarmament under strict and effective control and the promotion of friendly relations and co-operation among States,

recognizing moreover that a curbing of the present arms race might render it possible for substantial parts of the resources now being used for military purposes to be reallocated to development programmes directed at alleviating human suffering and responding to basic human needs,

1. *Urgently appeals* to governments of all States to continue to pursue negotiations in good faith on effective measures leading to the prevention of a further build-up of armaments, including nuclear weapons and other weapons of mass destruction,
2. *Expresses its conviction* that all Red Cross and Red Crescent members should work for the prevention of war and for constructive efforts towards resolving disputes through peaceful means,
3. *Proposes* that all National Societies, the ICRC and the League, should use their best endeavours to make the Red Cross members aware of the terrible effects of the use of weapons, in particular of nuclear weapons and other weapons of mass destruction,
4. *Recommends* that the National Societies, the ICRC and the League broaden their contacts and their exchange of views on the most adequate means for the National Societies of the Red Cross and the Red Crescent, acting within their accepted area of responsibility, to

contribute, in the respect of their fundamental principles, to an improvement of mutual understanding and true peace,

5. *Emphasizes* that the National Societies, the ICRC and the League should, in all circumstances and in their accepted area of responsibility, use their moral authority to support the efforts made to prevent and end armed conflicts, causing disasters and suffering throughout the world.

RESOLUTION 3

Implementation of the Youth section of the Programme of Action of the Red Cross as a factor of peace

The Council of Delegates,

reaffirming that the Programme of Action of the Red Cross as a factor of peace constitutes an effective basis for the involvement of young volunteers of the National Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies in the activities to strengthen peace and security,

highly appreciating youth Red Cross contribution in the implementation of the Programme of Action of the Red Cross as a factor of peace with a view to promoting friendship, co-operation and mutual understanding between young peoples of all countries of the world,

being convinced that the Second World Red Cross and Red Crescent Conference on Peace will contribute to further development of activities of the Red Cross youth in favour of peace,

Recommends the National Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies, League and ICRC:

- *to promote dissemination*, among the young people of the Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies, of the knowledge of the most important documents of the Movement, such as fundamental principles of the Red Cross and the Programme of Action of the first World Red Cross Conference on Peace, as well as resolutions passed by the Movement on peace and disarmament,
- *to develop educational programmes* that will help in the promotion of peace and give information on the terrible consequences of war,
- *to encourage*, in the respect of the fundamental principles of the Red Cross, co-operation with international and national governmental

and non-governmental youth organizations, standing for ways of consolidating true peace,

- *to promote* the activities of the young people of the Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies which represent a contribution to peace and to make every effort to organize meetings for the purpose of examining and summarizing the experience of the work of youth volunteers contributing to the strengthening of peace, which could be the basis for identifying new forms and methods of this work.

RESOLUTION 4

Red Cross and Human Rights

The Council of Delegates,

having taken note with appreciation of the Working Document on “The Red Cross and Human Rights” prepared by the ICRC in collaboration with the Secretariat of the League,

noting that this is the first global study made by the Red Cross on this important subject, and that it gives extremely useful information on numerous activities of the Red Cross in the field of human rights, including development,

declaring that the Red Cross movement shares the ideal that all human rights (as embodied in the Universal Declaration of Human Rights, the two UN Covenants respectively on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights and on Civil and Political Rights, and other international legal instruments), should be respected, but that the Red Cross has to further define its own specific possibilities, priorities and limits in contributing to the respect of such rights,

stressing the close interrelation between contributing to a lasting peace and respect for human rights, including development, and therefore the correlation in the contribution of the Red Cross in these two fields, and the necessity to study further the precise nature of this relationship within the movement,

noting with satisfaction the decision of the ICRC and the League jointly to study further all matters related to the Red Cross and human rights, in consultation with experts and with National Societies, and taking into account observations made at the 1983 Council of Delegates,

encourages all National Societies and the Henry Dunant Institute to promote research and documentation putting into evidence the actions of the Red Cross for promoting human rights and exploring further such actions, and inform the ICRC and the League of their results,

requests the "Commission on the Red Cross and Peace" to examine the possibility of changing its name into "Commission of the Red Cross and Red Crescent on Peace and Human Rights", making suggestions as to its possible future, its mandate, composition, rules of procedure and duration, for presentation and acceptance by consensus by the 1985 Council of Delegates.

RESOLUTION 5

Use of radiocommunications by the Red Cross organizations

The Council of Delegates,

considering that:

- a) Recommendation 34 of the Administrative Radiocommunications Conference is the original basis of the use of radiotelegraph and radiotelephone links by Red Cross organizations;
- b) the Twenty-third International Red Cross Conference in Bucharest in 1977 adopted Resolution IX: "Red Cross emergency radiocommunications", addressed to the International Telecommunications Union for presentation to the World Administrative Radiocommunications Conference (WARC) in Geneva in 1979;
- c) the WARC acted upon this resolution by replacing Recommendation 34 by Resolution 10, which is included in the Radio Regulations appended to the International Telecommunications Convention;
- d) the Twenty-fourth International Red Cross Conference took note of this with satisfaction in Resolution VIII, after having examined in Commission I, under item 3.2 of the agenda, the action taken pursuant to Resolution IX adopted in Bucharest;

requests National Societies

1. to submit to their national telecommunications administration their requirements for radiotelecommunication facilities, notably for a

- call-sign and the necessary frequency assignments, in conformity with Resolution 10 of the Radio Regulations;
2. to ask their national telecommunications administration for a licence to operate a national Red Cross emergency radiotelecommunications network;
 3. to make provision, in their request, for emergency links between the national Red Cross emergency network and the emergency network of the International Red Cross in Geneva;
 4. to inform their national telecommunications administration of the characteristics of the emergency network of the International Red Cross in Geneva, which is the subject of a licence granted by the Swiss telecommunications administration (PTT) to the ICRC in Geneva in 1963;
 5. to do their utmost, in collaboration with their national telecommunications administration, to make their national emergency radio-communications network operational.

DECISION 1

Second World Red Cross and Red Crescent Conference on Peace Future of the Commission on the Red Cross and Peace

The Council of Delegates decides:

I. Second World Red Cross and Red Crescent Conference on Peace

1. Meeting as an extraordinary session of the Council of Delegates "The Second World Red Cross and Red Crescent Conference on Peace", will take place in 1984 at the invitation of the National Red Cross Societies of Finland and Sweden.
2. Such a Conference will take the Programme of Action of the Red Cross as a Factor of Peace as a basis for development of further Red Cross action in favour of peace. Basing itself on the experience of the Red Cross movement in implementing the Programme of Action, it will endeavour to establish fundamental guidelines for the contribution of the Red Cross to a true peace.

3. These guidelines as well as all the Conference will be prepared bearing in mind
 - that for a constructive action on its part, within its sphere of competence, the Red Cross does not view peace simply as the absence of war. It intends to take part in the efforts made to preserve and organize a true peace, that is a dynamic process of co-operation among all States and peoples; co-operation founded on freedom, independence, national sovereignty, equality, respect of human rights, as well as a fair and equitable distribution of resources to meet the needs of peoples,
 - the necessity to preserve the unity of the movement and to respect all of its principles, in particular that of neutrality.
4. In view of its object, the Conference shall adopt its decisions by consensus. The organization and the work of the Conference shall be governed by the enclosed rules of procedure.

II. Future of the Commission

The Commission on the Red Cross and Peace shall continue with unchanged composition until the Council of Delegates in 1985, on which date it shall submit by consensus all proposals concerning its future, its terms of reference and its composition, taking into account the results of the Second World Red Cross and Red Crescent Conference on Peace.

SECOND WORLD RED CROSS AND RED CRESCENT CONFERENCE ON PEACE

Extraordinary Session of the Council of Delegates, 1984

“Through Humanity to Peace”

RULES OF PROCEDURE

adopted by the Council of Delegates (October 1983)

A. GENERAL PROVISIONS

1. The Conference

The Second World Red Cross and Red Crescent Conference on Peace shall meet in extraordinary session of the Council of Delegates, in compliance with Decision 1 of the Council of Delegates (October 1983), on the proposal of the Commission on the Red Cross and Peace, of the Standing Commission responsible for drawing up the provisional agenda of the Council of Delegates, and the Executive Council of the League and at the invitation of the National Red Cross Societies of Finland and Sweden.

2. Objectives of the Conference

The objectives of the Conference shall be:

- 2.1. to examine, assess, further develop and demonstrate the contribution of the Red Cross to a true peace in the world,
- 2.2. with that purpose, within the competence of the Red Cross, on the basis of the Programme of Action as a Factor of Peace of 1975 as adopted in 1977, and keeping in mind Decision 1 of the Council of Delegates of 1983:

- 2.2.1. to exchange views on the past implementation of the Programme of Action and, on that basis, to consider future Red Cross actions and policies in favour of peace,
- 2.2.2. to establish for dissemination purposes fundamental guidelines for the Red Cross contribution to a true peace in the world.

3. Agenda

Once adopted by the Council of Delegates in 1983, the agenda of the Conference cannot be subject to amendments.

4. Organizers

The Conference is organized by the Commission on the Red Cross and Peace enlarged by the presence of the Chairman of the Standing Commission and the representatives of both host Societies. The ICRC delegation to the Conference will be led by the President of the ICRC and the League delegation by the President of the League.

The organizers will be responsible until the Bureau takes charge of the Conference one day before it opens.

5. Location

The Conference shall meet in Mariehamn, Aaland (Finland) from 2 to 6 September, 1984, and shall hold its closing ceremony in Stockholm (Sweden) on 7 September, 1984.

6. Material organization

- 6.1. The material organization of the Conference shall be ensured by the two host Societies. The League and ICRC Secretariats shall give their technical assistance and advice when needed.
- 6.2. Travel costs, board and lodging, shall be assumed by the participants.
- 6.3. The Finnish and Swedish Red Cross Societies are willing to cover the following costs:
 - 6.3.1. the cost of air tickets in Tourist Class for one delegate from the recognized National Societies under 0.10% of the League statutory contributions scale, if the 1982 contribution has been paid in full by 1 January 1984,
 - 6.3.2. interpretation and translation costs in the official languages of the Council of Delegates.
- 6.4. The ICRC and the League will assume the costs of the official documents of the Council of Delegates which will be prepared and distributed before

and after the Conference, but not the costs of those prepared and distributed during the Conference itself.

The costs of possible related programmes—films, posters and other audiovisual material—are not included in the commitments above.

7. Invitations

The organizers will send out the invitations, the rules of procedure and the agenda to the participants before the end of 1983. The letters of invitation will be signed by the Chairmen of the Commission on the Red Cross and Peace, of the Standing Commission and of the host Societies.

8. Documentation

8.1. All other documents, including the final programme, will be sent out not later than 1 June 1984.

8.2. Documents sent by participants will be considered by the organizers if received before 1 June 1984 and by the Bureau if received after that date.

9. Participants

The following shall be participants in the Conference:

9.1 the representatives of recognized National Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies, with each delegation to be composed of a maximum of three members, including a representative of their youth section; members of the Commission on the Red Cross and Peace may attend in addition to the delegation of the respective National Societies,

9.2. the ICRC delegation headed by its President,

9.3. the League delegation headed by its President,

9.4. the delegation of the Henry Dunant Institute.

B. BODIES OF THE CONFERENCE

10. Chairmanship

10.1. The Chairman of the Standing Commission, the President of the ICRC and the President of the League will be honorary chairmen of the Conference.

10.2. The Chairmanship of the Conference shall be assumed by the Chairman of the Bureau.

10.3. The Chairman of the Conference, in consultation with the Bureau, ensures the good conduct of the Conference, takes care that the funda-

mental Red Cross principles are observed, that the objectives of the Conference are realized and that the participants abide by the agenda.

10.4. Chairmanship of the meetings:

- 10.4.1. The opening ceremony will be presided over by the Chairman of the Standing Commission who shall then hand over the chair to the Chairman of the Finnish Red Cross.
- 10.4.2. The first plenary meeting will be chaired by the Chairman of one of the two host Societies.
- 10.4.3. The second plenary meeting will be chaired by the Chairman of one of the two host Societies.
- 10.4.4. Commission I will be chaired by the President of the League.
- 10.4.5. Commission II will be chaired by the President of the ICRC.
- 10.4.6. The closing ceremony will be chaired by the Chairman of the Swedish Red Cross.

11. Elections by the Conference

At its first plenary meeting the Conference will elect:

- 11.1. five other members of the Drafting Committee,
- 11.2. one Rapporteur for each plenary meeting.

12. Bureau of the Conference

- 12.1. The Bureau shall commence its duties one day before the Conference opens. It shall be composed of:
 - 12.1.1. the Chairman of the Commission on the Red Cross and Peace,
 - 12.1.2. the Chairman of the Standing Commission,
 - 12.1.3. the President of the ICRC,
 - 12.1.4. the President of the League,
 - 12.1.5. the two Vice-Chairmen of the Commission on the Red Cross and Peace,
 - 12.1.6. the Chairman of the two host Societies.
- 12.2. The Bureau shall elect its own Chairman.
- 12.3. The Bureau may meet at any time during the Conference at the request of its Chairman or of two of its members.
- 12.4. The Bureau shall see that all the documents submitted to the Conference are in conformity with the fundamental principles of the Red Cross and correspond to the agenda.
- 12.5. The Bureau shall decide on procedural matters by simple majority, for other matters by consensus. In case of doubt the Bureau shall decide by consensus whether a question is one of procedure or substance.

13. Drafting Committee

13.1. The Drafting Committee shall include:

- three representatives of the ICRC, the League and the Henry Dunant Institute,
- five members elected by the Conference,
- three representatives of the Commission on the Red Cross and Peace (National Societies of the German Democratic Republic, France and Indonesia).

13.2. It shall elect its own Chairman.

13.3. The tasks of the Drafting Committee will be:

- 13.3.1. to review the texts passed on to it after preliminary adoption by the two Commissions,
- 13.3.2. on the basis of a proposal by the Commission on the Red Cross and Peace and taking into account discussions of the two Commissions, to establish for dissemination purposes fundamental guidelines for the Red Cross contribution to a true peace in the world (art. 2.2.),
- 13.3.3. to establish, if so decided, the draft of a message to the world community.

13.4. All texts emanating by consensus from the Drafting Committee shall be submitted for final consideration to the second plenary meeting.

C. ORGANIZATION OF THE CONFERENCE

14. Press and the public

- 14.1. The Chairman of the Conference, in consultation with the Bureau, is responsible to inform the public about the work and results of the Conference.
- 14.2. Working relations with the press will be handled by representatives of the organizers.
- 14.3. The opening and closing ceremonies as well as the plenary meetings will be public and open to the press.
- 14.4. All other meetings will be restricted to participants.

15. Commissions

- 15.1. Each Commission shall elect its Rapporteur.
- 15.2. The Secretaries of the two Commissions shall be appointed by the organizers.

- 15.3. The representatives of all National Societies have the right to participate in the work of both Commissions.
- 15.4. Both Commissions have as objective to exchange views on the past implementation of the Programme of Action and, on that basis, to consider future Red Cross actions and policies in favour of peace.
 - 15.4.1. Commission I will pursue this objective in relation to peacetime; it will give specific attention to development of National Societies and to Red Cross Youth contributions to peace.
 - 15.4.2. Commission II will pursue this objective in relation to situations of armed conflicts and other similar situations, with specific attention to international humanitarian law and disarmament also in peacetime.
- 15.5. The reports of each Commission will be transmitted to the Drafting Committee for review before submission to the second plenary meeting.

16. Languages

- 16.1. The languages of the Conference shall be English, French, Spanish (and Arabic).
- 16.2. Simultaneous interpretation of speeches and translation of documents will be provided by the organizers.

17. Reports, decisions, recommendations

Reports, decisions, recommendations and a possible message shall be adopted by consensus in both the Commissions and the plenary meetings.

18. Final document

- 18.1. The final document shall be adopted by the second plenary meeting.
- 18.2. It shall consist of the reports of the two Commissions (art. 15.5.) and of the fundamental guidelines established by the Drafting Committee (art. 13.3.2.).
- 18.3. The Conference may decide to adopt a message to the world community which would be drafted by the Drafting Committee

19. Procedure

As the Conference will be organized as an extraordinary session of the Council of Delegates, Chapter II of the Rules of Procedure of the International Conference of the Red Cross shall apply to the proceedings of this Conference, with the exception of articles 17, 18 and 19.

20. Final Provisions

- 20.1. If there are differences of opinion during the Conference on the proceedings, the Bureau of the Conference shall meet under the chairmanship of the Chairman of the Conference to take the decisions required.
- 20.2. In all cases not provided for in these Rules of Procedure and in the Rules of Procedure of the International Conference of the Red Cross, the Chairman of the Conference shall consult the Bureau and shall take the relevant decision in line with the fundamental principles of the Red Cross.

21. Report

The report on the Second World Red Cross and Red Crescent Conference on Peace will include:

- the letter of invitation to the Conference,
- the programme of the Conference,
- the agenda of the Conference,
- the list of participants,
- the list of documents submitted to the Conference,
- the final document of the Conference,
- the message which the Conference might address to the world community.

ANNOTATED AGENDA
of the Second World Red Cross and Red Crescent
Conference on Peace

I. OPENING CEREMONY OF THE CONFERENCE:

Sunday, 2 September 1984 at 7 p.m., in Mariehamn.

The opening ceremony is presided over by the Chairman of the Standing Commission, who then hands over the Chairmanship to the Chairman of the Finnish Red Cross (art. 10.4.1) ¹

Honorary Chairmen: Chairman of the Standing Commission, President of the ICRC, President of the League (art. 10.1).

II. FIRST PLENARY MEETING:

Monday, 3 September 1984, at 9 a.m.

Chairman: Chairman of one of the two host Societies (art. 10.4.2).

2.1. Appointment of the bodies of the Conference

2.1.1. Bureau of the Conference.

2.1.1.1. The Bureau shall be composed of: (art. 12.1)

- the Chairman of the Commission on the Red Cross and Peace,
- the Chairman of the Standing Commission,
- the President of the ICRC,
- the President of the League,

¹ See the Rules of Procedure.

- the two Vice-Chairmen of the Commission on the Red Cross and Peace,
 - the Chairmen of the two host Societies.
- 2.1.1.2. The Bureau shall elect its Chairman (art. 12.2), who shall be the Chairman of the Conference (art. 10.2).
- 2.1.2. Drafting Committee.
- 2.1.2.1. The Drafting Committee shall be composed of: (art. 13.1)
- one representative of the ICRC,
 - one representative of the League,
 - one representative of the Henry Dunant Institute,
 - three representatives of the Commission on the Red Cross and Peace, i.e. one delegate of the National Societies of the German Democratic Republic, France and Indonesia,
 - five members elected by the Conference at its first plenary meeting (art. 11.1).
- 2.1.3. Election of one rapporteur for each plenary meeting (art. 11.2).
- 2.2. General debate (until Monday 6 p.m.)
- 2.2.1. Introductory report by the Commission on the Red Cross and Peace on the past implementation of the Programme of Action of the Red Cross as a Factor of Peace (20 mn).
- 2.2.2. Free and general debate on the implementation of the Programme of Action and on future Red Cross actions and policies in favour of peace.

III. MEETINGS OF THE COMMISSIONS:

Tuesday, 4 September 1984, 9 a.m. - 12 noon; 2 p.m. - 6 p.m.

Wednesday, 5 September 1984, 9 a.m. - 12.30 p.m.

Both Commissions will exchange views on the past implementation of the Programme of Action and, on that basis, consider future Red Cross actions and policies in favour of peace (art. 15.4). In their discussions they will follow the order of the chapters of the Programme of Action, each of which will be briefly presented by the Commission on the Red Cross and Peace.

3.1. Commission I (Peacetime)

3.1.1. *Solidarity*

3.1.1.1. Relief

3.1.1.2. Development

3.1.1.3. Health

3.1.1.4. Youth

3.1.2. *Organizing and co-ordinating Red Cross work for peace*

3.2. Commission II

(Situations of armed conflict and other similar situations)

3.2.1. *Protection*

3.2.1.1. Humanitarian law

3.2.1.1.1. Knowledge and dissemination of humanitarian law

3.2.1.1.2. Development of humanitarian law

3.2.1.2. Red Cross activities for relieving the suffering of war victims, and Red Cross contribution to disarmament.

3.2.2. *Direct Red Cross contribution to peace*

3.2.3. *Organizing and co-ordinating Red Cross work for peace*

3.3. Drafting Committee

Preliminary debate on:

- fundamental guidelines for the Red Cross contribution to a true peace in the world,
- a possible message to the world community.

IV. DRAFTING COMMITTEE:

Wednesday, 5 September 1984, 2 p.m.

4.1. Drafting of the final document.

4.1.1. Reviewing and finalization of the reports of Commissions I and II.

4.1.2. Drafting of fundamental guidelines for the Red Cross contribution to a true peace in the world.

4.2. Drafting of a possible message to the world community.

V. SECOND PLENARY MEETING:

Thursday, 6 September 1984, at 9 a.m.

Chairman: Chairman of one of the two host Societies (art. 10.4.3).

5.1. Discussion on the final document.

- 5.1.1. Presentation of the reports of Commissions I and II.
 - 5.1.2. Fundamental guidelines for the Red Cross contribution to a true peace in the world.
 - 5.1.3. Message to the world community.
- 5.2. Adoption of the final document.
- Departure for Stockholm at 4 p.m.

VI. CLOSING CEREMONY:

Friday, 7 September 1984, at 10 a.m. in Stockholm

Chairman: Chairman of the Swedish Red Cross, on behalf of the two host National Societies (art. 10.4.6).

Honorary Chairmen: Chairman of the Standing Commission, President of the ICRC, President of the League.

DECISION 2

Date and location of next ordinary Council of Delegates

The next ordinary Council of Delegates will take place in Geneva in October 1985, immediately following the League meetings.
