

At the invitation of Dr. Giuseppe Pittaluga, the Museum's director, President Sommaruga went to Campomorone on 27 May where he was ceremonially greeted by the town's mayor, municipal and provincial authorities and representatives of the Italian Red Cross.

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## RECOGNITION OF NEW NATIONAL SOCIETIES

- The International Committee of the Red Cross has recognized the *Seychelles Red Cross*. This recognition took effect on 3 June 1992.
- At its meeting on 1 July 1992, the International Committee of the Red Cross confirmed the validity of the recognition of the Russian Red Cross (*Russian Federation*) which was founded in 1867.

The Russian Red Cross (Russian Federation) was part of the Alliance of Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies of the USSR between 1924 and 1991. The Alliance was dissolved following the events of December 1991 and its member Societies came back into separate existence.

The recognition of the Seychelles Red Cross and the confirmation of the recognition of the *Red Cross Society of the Russian Federation* bring to **151** the number of National Societies which are members of the International Red Cross and Red Crescent Movement.

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