

INTERNATIONAL COMMITTEE  
OF THE RED CROSS

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**Twelfth Distribution of Revenue from the  
Augusta Fund**

GENEVA, May 16, 1968

*Circular No. 470*

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

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN,

On May 1, 1967, the International Committee of the Red Cross issued a circular (No. 466) inviting National Societies to lodge, by November 1, 1967, at the latest, their applications for allocations from the twelfth distribution of Augusta Fund revenue.

The Special Commission of the International Committee responsible for the management of the Fund and the distribution of revenue therefrom met on May 16, 1968, and decided to award grants aggregating Sw.Fr. 13,500.— out of the available total of Sw.Fr. 13,720.70. In view of the large number of applications and the slenderness of resources, it was unfortunately not possible to give a favourable decision in every case, nor to allocate to each beneficiary as large a sum as would have been desirable.

The Commission therefore decided to make allocations as follows:

Sw.Frs. 3,000.— to the Cameroon Red Cross towards the purchase of an ambulance;

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- Sw.Frs. 3,000.— to the Kenya Red Cross as a contribution to the improvement of a home for handicapped children ;
- Sw.Frs. 3,000.— to the Moroccan Red Crescent as a contribution to expenses of a home for infants and premature babies ;
- Sw.Frs. 4,500.— to the Senegalese Red Cross as a contribution to the establishment of a milk distribution centre, courses in first-aid and the instruction of mothers of families.

The International Committee has advised the beneficiary Societies of the amounts being granted and now available to them. It also expressed the Special Commission's specific wish to be informed in due course of the use made of the grant by each Society. Such reports will be published in the International Review of the Red Cross.

The International Committee will also take these into account in the report which it will submit to the XXIst International Conference of the Red Cross on the position of the Augusta Fund and the distribution of revenue therefrom.

In addition, having on the one hand observed the interest which National Societies are continuing to show in the Augusta Fund and on the other hand, in view of the slenderness of the Fund's present revenues, resulting not only from the depreciation of money values since 1890, date of its foundation, but also from the increased needs of National Societies which have multiplied since then and have continuously extended the field of their activities, the International Committee has decided to study measures it could take, if possible, to remedy this state of affairs. It will notify National Societies of these in due course.

FOR THE INTERNATIONAL COMMITTEE  
OF THE RED CROSS

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