

## ***International Committee of the Red Cross***

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### **NEW ICRC VICE-PRESIDENT**

The Assembly of the International Committee of the Red Cross, at its meeting of 25 August 1994, elected Ambassador **Eric Roethlisberger** as new permanent ICRC Vice-President. He will take up his duties in the course of this autumn.

Mr Roethlisberger succeeds Mr Claudio Caratsch, who has held the office of Vice-President for four and a half years and did not seek re-election. The Assembly voiced its thanks to Mr Caratsch for his valuable services to the institution.

*Mr Roethlisberger was born in 1934 and is a citizen of Geneva and Langnau i.E., Switzerland. He has a doctorate in political science from the Graduate Institute of International Studies in Geneva. Since 1964, Mr Roethlisberger has been in the service of the Swiss Confederation with diplomatic postings in Geneva, New York and Berne. From 1981 to 1988 he was Delegate of the Swiss Government for Trade Agreements, in which capacity he chaired the Industrial Development Board of the United Nations Industrial Development Organization (UNIDO) in Vienna in 1985. Since 1988 he has been Switzerland's Permanent Representative to the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD) in Paris.*

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