## IN GENEVA

## A Mark of Gratitude

During its plenary session on 1 October 1970, the ICRC, through its President, expressed to its Delegate-General for the Far East, Mr. André Durand, on the occasion of his retiring from that office in order to assume other duties at central headquarters, its profound gratitude for his outstanding service in the Red Cross cause for nineteen years.

Mr. Naville pointed out that in 1962 the ICRC had awarded Mr. Durand its silver medal in grateful recognition of his dedicated co-operation. On the Committee's behalf, Mr. Naville reiterated its full appreciation.

It is of interest to note that at the beginning of August the Cambodian Red Cross organized in Phnom-Penh, on the occasion of Mr. Durand's departure, a reception attended by that Society's leading members. In her address, Miss Phlech Phiroun, President of the National Society, said, *inter alia*:

"Just a word, before you leave, to express on behalf of the members of the Cambodian Red Cross, and in my own name, our deep gratitude for the very valuable assistance which you have given our Society for so many years. You may be sure that you will always be well remembered as a reliable friend of the Cambodian Red Cross for better or for worse. You have given of your best in the discharge of your functions which have not always been easy but which have contributed to the alleviation of human suffering."

## **Appointment**

Mr Alain Modoux has been appointed Head of the Press and Information Division of the International Committee of the Red Cross.