

*IN GENEVA***Honorary member of the ICRC**

In the course of a meeting on 6 December 1973, the Assembly of the International Committee took note of Mr. Dietrich Schindler's resignation and conferred honorary membership upon him.

Mr. Schindler was first co-opted to the ICRC in 1961, from which date he regularly and competently followed the institution's work. He teaches at Zurich University, like his great-uncle Max Huber before him, and since his appointment he has participated in the work of the Legal Commission.

It was on his proposal that a commission was set up, within the Committee itself, to study the principles, activities, methods and organization of the ICRC. He was the instigator who, with several colleagues, made possible a very useful investigation of the Red Cross principles and methods.

Mr. Schindler is the author of a study on the Geneva Conventions which was published in 1965 in "l'Annuaire suisse de droit international" under the title *Die Anwendung der Genfer Rotkreuzabkommen seit 1949*, and of an interesting volume, which he has just published in co-operation with Mr. Jiri Toman, entitled "The Laws of Armed Conflicts"; this is an anthology of all the laws of armed conflicts.

The International Committee expressed its gratitude for Mr. Schindler's invaluable contribution to the work of the Red Cross in theory and in law. It is pleased also to be able to continue to rely on his co-operation.

A discussion at the ICRC

On 23 December, before leaving Geneva where he had attended the peace conference on the Middle East, H. E. Mr. Abba Eban, Israeli Minister for Foreign Affairs, accompanied by H. E. Mr. Mordecai Kidron, Ambassador and Political Adviser to the Ministry

of Foreign Affairs, met the President of the Executive Board of the International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC), Mr. Roger Gallopin, and some of his closest aides, at ICRC headquarters. During the meeting, Mr. Eban expressed concern about the lack of information on Israeli military personnel missing in action since the October hostilities. He voiced his appreciation of the ICRC's efforts and expressed the hope that the families of those missing would soon receive the news they were eagerly awaiting.

Inter Arma Caritas

The third edition of the book, in which, under this title, the ICRC describes its extensive humanitarian work throughout the world during the Second World War, has just been issued, in both English and French versions.¹



¹ *Inter Arma Caritas* (135 pages) may be obtained from the ICRC Documentation Division, Geneva. Price Sw. Fr. 8.—.