

JUNIOR RED CROSS MEETING IN BELGRADE

The International Junior Red Cross Meeting, organized by the Red Cross of Yugoslavia, took place in Belgrade between 4 and 9 September, and was attended by 49 delegations. Of these, forty had been sent by recognized National Societies, and two by Societies not yet recognized. Four delegations represented liberation movements or the Red Cross group of such a movement. The meeting was also attended by representatives of the League of Red Cross Societies, the Henry Dunant Institute and the ICRC. Discussions at the Meeting followed the general theme: "Youth and the growth of the Red Cross, contribution to peace and progress in the world".

After the inaugural ceremony, which included an address by Dr. B. Raspopović, President of the Assembly of Vice-Presidents of the Red Cross of Yugoslavia, the participants gathered several times in plenary session to hear the delegations' reports on the activities of their own youth groups within the National Societies. The resulting discussion, which was thorough and wide-ranging, lasted for over a day. A drafting committee then drew up a final report in which the delegates clearly affirmed their respect for and attachment to the fundamental principles of the Red Cross.

THE RED CROSS AND RADIOCOMMUNICATIONS

The need for the ICRC to have its own radio system to guarantee the speed and effectiveness of its operations had long been obvious. In 1959, the Administrative Conference on Radiocommunications in Geneva recommended that the Red Cross should have an autonomous radio