



*Readers of the Review will find a great deal to interest them in this June 2000 issue. There are articles on topics as diverse as humanitarian affairs and globalization, women and war, and aspects of international criminal law, and also a page from the history of the law of war. Whether directly or indirectly, however, all deal in one way or another with humanitarian policy, action and law. The aim is to demonstrate (if demonstration be needed) that an interest in humanitarian issues means keeping up with developments in a wide range of areas.*

*Special attention is drawn to the article written at the end of his term of office by former ICRC President Cornelio Sommaruga, in which he shares the ideas that inspired him during his years at the helm.*

*The question of the emblem has given rise to controversy within the International Red Cross and Red Crescent Movement for the past fifty years. François Bugnion looks at the historical background and explains what is at stake before concluding with proposals which in the coming months should offer a solution to a problem that has been with us for far too long.*

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