



Declaration of candidacy

I, the undersigned, **ABBAS GULLET**

hereby submit my candidature for the election of members of the Standing Commission by the 33rd International Conference of the Red Cross and Red Crescent in 2019.

I hereby confirm that I am a member of the National Red Cross / Red Crescent Society of

 KENYA RED CROSS SOCIETY

I am fully aware of the functions assigned to the Standing Commission by Article 18 of the Statutes of the International Red Cross and Red Crescent Movement ("Movement"). I confirm that I satisfy the criteria established in the "Profile for Candidates for Election to the Standing Commission" endorsed in 1995 by the Movement's Council of Delegates.

Furthermore **I declare that I have not been:**

- involved in the commission of any violation of international humanitarian law or of internationally recognized standards of human rights law;
- the subject of a conviction for a criminal offence or conduct which gave rise to a civil penalty which would otherwise risk the reputation or standing of the Movement;
- sanctioned by any component of the Movement for:
 - violations of any Movement component's Code of Conduct;
 - the display of character or morality incompatible with the seven Fundamental Principles;
 - fraudulent or corrupt conduct; or
 - failure to declare a conflict of interest;
- sanctioned for the violation of laws or policies relating to sexual exploitation, abuse, discrimination or harassment; or
- involved in any major dispute or controversy in or outside the Movement that would otherwise risk the reputation or standing of the Movement.

Please include in the space below **any relevant information you deem necessary in respect of the above declaration.**



If elected, I am committed to serve in my personal capacity and in the sole interest of the Movement, and to work towards its humanitarian mission, ideals and goals, being guided at all times by the Fundamental Principles of the Movement.

Place and date:

20th November 2019

Signature:

M. Müller



Candidate motivation

My primary motivation for seeking a role in the Standing Commission is a product of deep rooted commitment to global humanitarian work and a long standing experience in the Red Cross Red Crescent. After nearly forty five years of service to the Red Cross movement first as a youth volunteer in my National Society and as an employee of both the IFRC and at the Kenya Red Cross. Through the institution of the Standing Commission, I believe to be strongly prepared to provide leadership to the Red Cross/Red Crescent movement through my experience as a Secretary General of a national society in a developing country, a delegate various delegations of the IFRC and also as Deputy Secretary General and Director of Operations at the IFRC. In addition, I have served as the Vice President of the IFRC for Africa for a period of four years. For my service, I have been awarded both nationally and internationally including as a recipient of the North-South Prize by the Council of Europe.

In my period of service to the Red Cross/Red Crescent movement, I am known for my commitment to service delivery targeting vulnerable communities around the world through deployment of innovative approaches that fosters partnerships and institutionalises integrity and accountability. I have been a strong proponent of peer to peer support between national societies, which resulted in regional and global initiatives such as the New Partnership for African Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies (NEPARC). In my own national society and under my leadership, we have worked to build a vibrant national society with strong partnerships within the Red Cross/Red Crescent Movement but also with regional and international actors including from the private sector. I have thus developed excellent experience in seeking sustainability of Red Cross/Red Crescent work at national level while deploying global partnerships tools and standards.

As the highest deliberative body for the Movement between Council meetings, the Standing Commission requires experience that is informed by local needs of the Red Cross/Red Crescent operations, while leveraging on the global nature of the Movement. My experience of working at both policy making levels (IFRC and KRCS Governing Boards) and at operational/management roles nationally and globally will be useful for the coordination and cooperation role of the Standing Commission within the Red Cross/Red Crescent Movement.

I am convinced that global landscape, politically, socially and economically is resulting in vulnerabilities that requires a stronger role for the Red Cross/Red Crescent. This role can be enhanced by a Standing Commission that seeks deployment of the distinct mandates of the Movement actors, while utilising the strong a Red Cross/Red Crescent brand and time tested partnerships with our Governments. I believe my experience and commitment will be useful to achieve this. This is the reason why I am motivated to present my candidature for the Standing Commission.

Curriculum Vitae



Personal Details	
FAMILY NAME & TITLE:	Gullet
FIRST NAME(S):	Abbas Gedi
GENDER :	Male
NATIONALITY(-IES) :	Kenyan
DATE OF BIRTH:	18th February 1959
MEMBER OF : <i>(Name of National Society)</i> <i>(Please provide confirmation of your membership)</i>	Kenya Red Cross Society
PRESENT FUNCTION(S) IN THE MOVEMENT AND/OR THE NATIONAL SOCIETY:	Board Member of Kenya Red Cross Society owned businesses.
PRESENT FUNCTION(S) OUTSIDE THE MOVEMENT: <i>(when applicable)</i>	Chancellor Umma University Kenya



My domestic and international experience with the Red Cross and Red Crescent

(including professional and volunteering activities in the National Society of origin and other components and bodies of the Movement, as well as special achievements at a national and international level)

Year	start with the most recent (expand the table as needed)
2005-2019	Secretary General, Kenya Red Cross Providing strategic leadership for the Society in delivering its mission of alleviating human suffering to the community. I have successfully transformed the Society into the leading Humanitarian National Society in Africa. Under my leadership, the Society was awarded the Super Brands status by the East African Chapter.
2003-2004	Deputy Secretary General and Director of Operations, International Federation of Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies.
2002-2003	Director Disaster Management and Coordination , International Federation of Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies.
2001-2002	Secretary General, Kenya Red Cross
1999-2000	Head of Regional Delegation Pacific Region, IFRC.
1997-1999	Head of Delegation, Sudan, IFRC
1997	Deputy Head of Regional Delegation for Eastern Africa, IFRC
1995-1997	Head of Sub-Delegation, in Ngara, Tanzania, IFRC.
1994-1995	Head of Youth Department
1993-1994	Head of Delegation, Uganda, IFRC
1993	Head of Sub-Delegation, Malawi, IFRC
1992-1993	Relief Coordinator, Malawi, IFRC
1991-1992	Relief Administrator, Malawi, IFRC
1991	Youth Officer, Youth Department, IFRC
1990-1991	Branch Development Officer, Kenya Red Cross Society
1985-1990	National Youth Officer, Kenya Red Cross Society



Other experience and achievements

(any other relevant functions, roles or special achievements outside of the Movement)

Year	start with the most recent (expand the table as needed)
2017-to date	Chancellor, Umma University Kenya
2010 to date	Founding Chairman of Emergency Medical Services (EPLUS)
2005-2007	Founding Chairman of The Boma chain of hotels
<u>ACHEVEMENTS AND AWARDS</u>	
	<p>May 2018</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Awarded The North–South Prize by the North-South Centre of the Council of Europe in recognition of his commitment and outstanding achievements in humanitarian work. <p>February 2018</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Awarded Timeless Women of Wonder (TWOW) Awards 2018 for creating sustainable financing options in the Humanitarian field and for always being there for the needs of vulnerable Kenyans. <p>January 2016</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Appointed the first chancellor of Umma University Kajiado Campus. <p>December 2015</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Conferred an honorary doctorate degree, Doctor of Humane Letters by Kenyatta University in recognition of his outstanding achievements in transforming the lives of thousands of Kenyans. <p>November 2013</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Listed as one of the Top 100 Most Influential Africans in the African Magazine December 2013 Edition. Awarded Brand Kenya Ambassador Awards 2013 by the Marketing Society of Kenya in recognition of my selfless and excellent humanitarian service. <p>December 2012</p> <p>Awarded an honorary award of Moran of the Burning Spear (MBS) by the Kenyan Government.</p> <p>June 2012</p> <p>Conferred an honorary doctorate degree of Doctor of Humane Letters by the Egerton University – Kenya for my outstanding service to humanity.</p> <p>2011</p> <p>Listed as one of the Top 100 Most Influential Africans in the Forbes Africa.</p> <p>June 2009</p> <p>Conferred the Utetezi Award (Civil Society) by the Kenya National Commission on Human Rights (KNCHR) in recognition of my remarkable contribution in humanitarian activities.</p> <p>December 2008</p>



	<p>Awarded an honorary of Order of the Golden Warrior (OGW) from the Kenya Government.</p> <p>October 2007 Recognized and awarded as the UN Person of the Year.</p>
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Working languages of the Standing Commission (Specify the level)			
ENGLISH	<input type="checkbox"/> mother tongue	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> fluent	<input type="checkbox"/> working knowledge
FRENCH	<input type="checkbox"/> mother tongue	<input type="checkbox"/> fluent	<input type="checkbox"/> working knowledge
SPANISH	<input type="checkbox"/> mother tongue	<input type="checkbox"/> fluent	<input type="checkbox"/> working knowledge
ARABIC	<input type="checkbox"/> mother tongue	<input type="checkbox"/> fluent	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> working knowledge

Education (academic, professional or social diploma(s) and distinctions)	
Year	Start with the most recent (expand the table as needed)
1997	Post Graduate Diploma (MBA) in practicing Management (INSEAD 1997), Lancaster University, McGill University, Hitotubashi University, and Bangalore School of Management. (Head of Faculty - Prof. Henry Mintzberg).

I confirm the accuracy of all of the information that I have submitted, and statements that I have made, in this Nomination Form.

Place and date: Nairobi, Kenya 20/11/19 Mfulled
(signature)