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Pledge

Pledge Title

Reinforcing Restoring Family Links (RFL) services of the Red Cross and Red Crescent Movement and cooperation between the components of the Movement.

Type of Pledge: Joint open

State(s)/National Society(ies)/Other humanitarian associate(s):

Theme(s) and issue(s) of the International Conference related with this pledge:

RFL

Pledge for the 2019-2023 period:

A) Objectives of the pledge

With the aim of addressing the needs of separated family members and families of missing persons, the components of the Movement shall be able to underpin themselves in a solid worldwide network and in close collaboration with States. The objective of this pledge is to strengthen the abovementioned network, the collaboration and cooperation between its members, as well as the support between them and their respective authorities.

This pledge has the purpose of safeguarding the strength of the National Societies (NS) that constitute the Central and North America (AmerCAN) platform, as well as to increase cooperation, coordination and the exchange of information at both the operative and strategic level. The AmerCAN network will share good practices, develop joint tools and ensure a joint implementation, while respecting the individual contexts. Recurrent virtual and face to face meetings will take place among participating NS.

In order to establish the specific elements of the RFL Strategy for the International Red Cross and Red Crescent Movement 2020-2025 (RFL Strategy 2020-2025) and the 2019 Council of Delegates RFL Resolution (CoD) into concrete actions, the engaged parties will develop a regional plan of action based on contextualized needs and priorities and will identify appropriate indicators.

B) Plan of action

1. The signatory NS will ensure awareness of the RFL Strategy 2020-2025 within the NS leadership and the required departments.
2. The signatory NS will establish their own and joint lines of action in accordance with the RFL Strategy 2020-2025 priorities.
3. The signatory NS will collaborate with the aim of strengthening their RFL capacities via the exchange of expertise and good practices related to service provision, outreach, and training of the AmerCAN network members.

C) Progress indicators

1. The signatory and participating NS of the AmerCAN network will conduct awareness and informative meetings about the RFL Strategy 2020-2025.
2. By the end of 2020, the AmerCAN network will present its regional action plan and will be adopted during its annual meeting;
3. The AmerCAN network will establish a monitoring and evaluation mechanism of its action plan and via the RFL Strategy Implementation Group (IG) members, it will ensure its correct follow-up and reporting.
4. The AmerCAN Network will develop and deliver virtual trainings with the support of its members in order to strengthen volunteers and employees' capacities on the matter of Restoring Family Links.

D) Resource implications

RFL volunteers and employees from the various signatory NS.

IT tools to conduct trainings, data management and protection, as well as virtual collaboration between NS, the International Committee of The Red Cross (ICRC), the International Federation of the Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies (IFRC) and other related organizations.

Technical support for educational development by the IFRC Reference Center for Institutional Disaster Preparedness (CREPD, per its Spanish acronym.)

Technical and logistical support from the ICRC for the development of audiovisual material, cooperation, coordination, and knowledge transfer.

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