

**Model Pledge for National Societies**

**Model Pledge title:**

Model Pledge on strengthening the statutory base of National Societies

**International Conference theme/topic(s) related to this pledge:**

**Pledge for the period 2019–2023:**

**A. Pledge**

[By deadline: 30 June 2021] the National Society of [Grenada pledges to:

(This pledge may also be made by a group of National Societies.)

- Review, revise or strengthen its statutory base instruments and related frameworks (statutes, constitution, etc.) in line with the new standards in the “Guidance for National Societies Statutes” (guidance document), which was adopted by the Governing Board of the International Federation of Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies (IFRC) in 2018 and the Council of Delegates of the International Red Cross and Red Crescent Movement in 2019.
- When developing and revising its statutory base instruments, the National Society also pledges to seek support and advice, as required, from the delegations of the International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC) and the IFRC, from peer-to-peer National Society networks and from the Joint ICRC/International Federation Commission for National Societies Statutes.

**B. Action plan**

Possible actions for National Societies to consider include the following:

- Include a review of its statutes, constitution and related frameworks in its development processes, plans and strategies;
- Develop an action plan to review its statutes or constitution that is inclusive and involves the National Society’s leadership, membership, staff, volunteers and partners;
- Establish a senior-level advisory committee that is responsible for guiding the process of developing or revising the National Society’s statutes or constitution;
- Establish a drafting committee that brings together all the National Society’s relevant departments, such as the departments for organizational development, finance and youth, as well as the legal department and the corporate lawyer;

- Inform the National Society branches of the process to reform the statutory or constitutional base, and ensure they are consulted and their input is taken into account;
- Inform and consult with the ICRC and IFRC delegations in the National Society's country or region at the different stages of the process to develop or revise the new statutes or constitution;
- Consult with the Joint ICRC/International Federation Commission for National Societies Statutes and take the commission's recommendations into account before submitting the draft revisions or draft new statutes or constitution to the General Assembly for adoption;
- Ensure that the draft revisions or draft new statutes or constitution reflect the minimum standards included in the new guidance document for National Societies statutes;
- Support other National Societies that undertake a statutes or constitution revision process by sharing knowledge and experience, particularly related to how the National Society's statutes or constitution were developed or adapted to reflect the national legal and operational context.
- Share examples of provisions included in your Statutes and/or other regulatory documents (policies, rules and regulations, etc.), which could be used by other NSs in similar contexts/situations ([guidance.document@ifrc.org](mailto:guidance.document@ifrc.org)).

### C. Indicators to measure implementation progress:

### D. Resource implications:

*[National Societies will determine the resources that may be required to carry out this pledge based on the objectives and actions they choose to take in their specific context.]*

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