

## STATEMENT OF CANDIDACY

### FOR THE 2024 ELECTION

### OF THE STANDING COMMISSION OF THE RED CROSS AND RED CRESCENT

#### Important notice:

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- For any questions, contact the Electoral Committee: [election@standcom.ch](mailto:election@standcom.ch)

I, the undersigned Bafou BA

hereby declare and submit my candidature for election to the Standing Commission by the 34th International Conference of the Red Cross and Red Crescent in 2024.

I hereby confirm that I am a member of the

SENEGALESE RED CROSS SOCIETY

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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 (the Movement) and that members of the Standing Commission are elected in a personal capacity.

I confirm that I satisfy the requirements, profile and qualifications for candidates established in the Statutes and Rules of Procedure of the Movement as well as in the "Guidelines for Candidates for election to the Standing Commission of the Red Cross and Red Crescent" adopted by the Council of Delegates in 2019 (Resolution 4).

I confirm that:

- a. I have a duty to promote and comply with the rules and standards applicable to the election, including without limitation, the requirement to:
  - adhere at all times to the Fundamental Principles, Statutes and Rules of Procedure of the Movement and to respect its ideals and values,
  - not accept a binding mandate from anyone, enter any form of commitment that could affect my freedom of decision or action in the future if elected, or receive any form of campaign support or financial or material aid or contributions from any actor external to the Movement,
  - not to act in any way that would amount to a perceived, potential or actual conflict of interest.

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- b. I must provide full cooperation to the Electoral Committee, in particular with regard to any requests for information and enquiries relating to my candidacy.
- c. all the information that I have submitted, and statements that I have made, in this declaration and in my Nomination Form are truthful and accurate.
- d. I will immediately notify the Electoral Committee if, after the date of signature of this declaration:
  - I am no longer able, for any reason, to fulfil any of the requirements, profile and qualifications applicable to this position, or
  - any of the statements in this declaration or in my Nomination Form, are no longer true or accurate for whatever reason, or
  - there is additional information in relation to this declaration or my Nomination Form.

I understand that any (a) false declaration or statement or omission of relevant information in this declaration or my Nomination Form, (b) failure to notify the Electoral Committee as required above, or (c) failure to fulfil any of the requirements set out in this declaration, may lead to my disqualification as a candidate.

I hereby authorize the Electoral Committee to carry out a background check for purposes of evaluating whether I satisfy the requirements, profile, and qualifications for election to the Standing Commission. I consent to the processing of my personal information as necessary and relevant for these purposes. I understand that the Electoral Committee may engage the services of an external third-party firm(s) for these purposes. Finally, I also understand that I may withhold my permission and that in such case, no background check will be conducted, and my candidature will not be processed.

\_\_\_\_\_ [Signed] \_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

Dakar 21.09.24

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Place and date

# 1. Candidate motivation

The vision that led to the founding of the Red Cross is more pertinent now than ever, in a world weakened by inequalities, the resurgence of international armed conflicts – including between the Russian Federation and Ukraine and between Israel and Palestine – and natural disasters or other climate-related crises, along with the devastation that they cause.

Against a backdrop of ever-increasing vulnerabilities and more frequent and complex obstacles to humanitarian access, and given the breadth and scope of humanitarian need, our aim is to ensure a humanitarian response that is based on an uncompromising commitment to our Fundamental Principles, the relevance of international humanitarian law and the strength of our diversity, and that involves finding innovative solutions and promoting strategic public and private partnerships, while upholding the values of integrity, transparency and accountability.

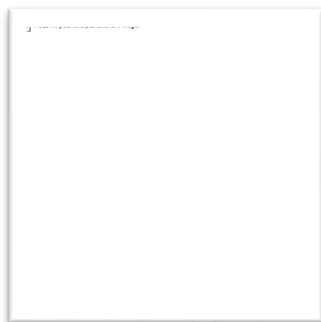
In my role as president of a National Society and member of various National Society forums, I have worked at the national and regional levels to implement the above-mentioned vision through our strategic and operational decisions, and our partnerships. I have approached this work as a personal challenge.

My candidature does not stem from any personal ambitions or desire for prestige. As an African woman and leader, with more than 30 years of experience of working for the Red Cross, I would like to use my wealth of experience to contribute to building an International Red Cross and Red Crescent Movement that is strong, agile, effective and able to meet current challenges and ensure a pragmatic humanitarian response that is fit for purpose.

I have solid experience of the Movement's work and in-depth knowledge of its founding texts and Fundamental Principles, as well as the provisions of the Geneva Conventions, their Additional Protocols and other relevant instruments of international law.

My professional background in social work has equipped me with the skills necessary to operate in a diverse professional environment, based on respect for diversity and tolerance. My strengths include the ability to achieve strong compromise, good listening skills and sense of responsibility.

## 2. Curriculum Vitae



Insérer ou agraffer une photographie

<b>Personal details</b>	
<b>FAMILY NAME &amp; TITLE:</b>	BA
<b>FIRST NAME(S):</b>	BAFOU
<b>GENDER:</b>	FEMALE
<b>NATIONALITY(-IES)</b>	SENEGALESE
<b>DATE OF BIRTH:</b>	31 December 1951
<b>MEMBER OF:</b> <i>(name of National Society)</i>	Senegalese Red Cross Society
<b>PRESENT FUNCTION(S) IN THE MOVEMENT AND/OR THE NATIONAL SOCIETY:</b>	President
<b>PRESENT FUNCTION(S) OUTSIDE THE MOVEMENT:</b> <i>(when applicable)</i>	

## 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 the national and international level)

Year	start with the most recent (expand the table as needed)
<b>2019 to today</b>	President of the Senegalese Red Cross Society
<b>2009- 2010</b>	Technical Adviser (family matters), government ministry (M.F.S.A.E.F.M.P.E)
<b>June 2008- June 2009</b>	Technical Adviser (national solidarity), Ministry of Family Technical Adviser (social action), government ministry (M.F.S.N.E.F.M)
<b>2006 -2007</b>	Seconded to the Senegalese Red Cross Society
<b>1984 -2006</b>	Executive Secretary of the Senegalese Red Cross Society
<b>2003 -2006</b>	- Administrator of the community health programme funded by the Danish Red Cross  - Joint administrator of the nutrition reinforcement programme (PRN) financed by the World Bank and the government of Touba Department  Head of Operations, Senegalese Red Cross Society
<b>2001-2003</b>	Fundraising and Communications Director at the Senegalese Red Cross Society
<b>1999- 2001</b>	Administrative Director, Senegalese Red Cross Society  Social Adviser, Senegalese Red Cross Society
<b>1993-1999</b>	Social Adviser, Head of Joint Social Orientation Project
<b>1989 -1993</b>	Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees/Senegalese Red Cross Society
<b>1984-1989</b>	

## 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)
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<b>2010</b>	Founding member of the Caucus of Women Leaders for Parity
<b>1978–1984</b>	Member of the African Women's Network for Women's Entrepreneurship
<b>1976–1978</b>	Deputy Director of Social Action/Ministry of Social Action
<b>1975–1976</b>	Head of the Social Centres and Social Prevention Division/Ministry of Social Action
	Assignment to the Family Assistance Office/Directorate of Social Action/Ministry of Health and Social Action
	-Internship at the Central Tracing Agency of the International Committee of the Red Cross in Geneva, Switzerland
	-Fundraising trainer
	-Participant in subregional and international meetings
	-Contact point for resource development for the International Federation of Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies.
	-Gender focal point for West Africa (FISCR)
	-Founding member of the Federation of Senegalese Women's Associations (FAFS) in 1974 at Cap des Biches.
	-Member of the Women's Consultative Committee
	-Member of the Watch and Alert Committee for an Inclusive Democracy

## Working languages of the Standing Commission

(tick the relevant boxes that apply)

<b>ENGLISH</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> mother tongue	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> fluent	<input type="checkbox"/> working knowledge
<b>ARABIC</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> mother tongue	<input type="checkbox"/> fluent	<input type="checkbox"/> working knowledge
<b>SPANISH</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> mother tongue	<input type="checkbox"/> fluent	<input type="checkbox"/> working knowledge
<b>FRENCH</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> mother tongue	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> fluent	<input type="checkbox"/> working knowledge

## Education

(academic, professional or social diploma(s) and distinctions)

Year	Start with the most recent (expand the table as needed)
2000	Training course for Red Cross delegates – development module, Abidjan, Côte d’Ivoire. Recommended certificate for regional and international assignments  Gender training, Abidjan, Côte d’Ivoire
1999	Training in organizational and resource development – Abidjan, Training certificate
1993	
1989	ICRC's Central Tracing Agency in Geneva. Training certificate (tracing in conflict or disaster situations)
1973–1975	National School of Social Work and Specialized Education (Ecole Nationale des Travailleurs Sociaux et des Educateurs Spécialisés). State diploma in social work.
1970–1972	University of Dakar DUEL II-English-Spanish
1969–1970	Lycée (high school) J.F. Kennedy Baccalaureate A2
1962–1969	Lycée (high school) Ameth Fall, St Louis Junior secondary studies certificate (BFEM)
	<b>Awards:</b>  -Awarded the national order of merit (Knight of the National Order of the Lion/ Ordre national du Lion du Sénégal) in March 2000  - Award for pioneers promoting women’s advancement

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

Bafou BA\_\_  
Candidate's name

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Signature

Dakar 4.09.2024  
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Place and date



## DECLARATION OF INTEGRITY

### FOR THE 2024 ELECTION

### OF THE STANDING COMMISSION OF THE RED CROSS AND RED CRESCENT

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I, the undersigned Bafou BA

member of the Senegalese Red Cross Society,

hereby make the following declaration of integrity, as part of my candidature for election to the Standing Commission by the 34th International Conference of the Red Cross and Red Crescent in 2024.

#### 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,
- involved in offences related to child labour or human trafficking,
- 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, morality, interests or unethical conduct 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 or gender-based exploitation, abuse, or discrimination, harassment or bullying of any kind,
- involved in any conduct, dispute or controversy in or outside the Movement that would risk the reputation or standing of the Movement,
- involved in any act which could be deemed to be a breach of the Fundamental Principles,

**which has not been disclosed in my candidature in the space below.**

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

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

If elected, I declare that I will –

- a. fulfil all the functions required by this elected position,
- b. serve in my personal non-partisan capacity and in the sole interest of the Standing Commission and the International Red Cross and Red Crescent Movement (the Movement), and to work towards their humanitarian general object,
- c. adhere at all times to the Fundamental Principles, Statutes and Rules of Procedure of the Movement,
- d. not act in any way that would amount to a perceived, potential or actual conflict of interest.

I will immediately notify the Electoral Committee, if after the date of signature of this declaration, (a) any of the above statements in this declaration, are no longer true or accurate for whatever reason, or (b) there is additional information in relation to this declaration.

I understand that any (a) false declaration or statement or omission of relevant information in this declaration, or (b) failure to fulfil the above requirement to notify the Electoral Committee may lead to my disqualification as a candidate.

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Signature

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## MEMBERSHIP AND INTEGRITY ATTESTATION

### FOR A CANDIDATE TO THE 2024 ELECTION OF THE STANDING COMMISSION OF THE RED CROSS AND RED CRESCENT

#### Important notice:

- To be valid this attestation must **be completed and signed by a duly authorized representative of the candidate's National Society** and the candidate must attach it to the Nomination Form for submission by the required deadline.
- This attestation is not an endorsement or expression of support for the candidate who is running for election to the Standing Commission in a personal capacity.
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I, the undersigned Cheikh Amalah KEITA

in my position as Treasurer General

of the Senegalese Red Cross Society,

declare the following:

1) The candidate Bafou BA

is presently a member of the Senegalese Red Cross Society

1) To the best knowledge of the National Society, the candidate

- has not been sanctioned by the National Society in the past for:
  - Violating any Code of Conduct of the National Society,
  - Display of character, morality, interests or unethical conduct incompatible with the seven Fundamental Principles of the Movement,
  - Fraudulent or corrupt conduct,
  - Failure to declare a conflict of interest, or
  - Violating laws or policies relating to sexual or gender-based exploitation, abuse or discrimination, harassment or bullying of any kind.
- has not been involved in any conduct, dispute or controversy within or outside the International Red Cross and Red Crescent Movement that would risk the reputation or standing of the Red Cross or Red Crescent network.

[Signature and stamp]

Dakar, 21 September 2024