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The Council of Delegates,

*taking note* of the report submitted by the Standing Commission of the Red Cross and Red Crescent (Standing Commission) on its work since June 2022,

*appreciating* the input obtained from National Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies, the International Committee of the Red Cross and the International Federation of Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies in consultations held in preparation for the 2024 Council of Delegates and the 34th International Conference of the Red Cross and Red Crescent,

*commending* the members of the 18th Session of the Standing Commission for their dedication and committed work,

*recalling* Resolution XVIII of the 13th International Conference of the Red Cross, held in The Hague in 1928, which marked the adoption of the first Statutes of the International Red Cross and Red Crescent Movement (Movement) that included all its components and the creation of the Council of Delegates and the Standing Commission,

1. *encourages* the Standing Commission to pursue the initiatives and work processes it undertook during its 18th Session;
2. *notes* with satisfaction the Standing Commission's initiative to provide Movement-wide guidance for the development and life cycle of resolutions and policies – including on ownership, preparation, approval, promotion, implementation and review – with the aim of harmonizing the creation and follow-up of resolutions and policies and ensuring the Movement and its statutory bodies have relevant, consistent, up-to-date and easy-to-access standards that facilitate monitoring and compliance;
3. *encourages* the Standing Commission to continue the development of a Movement policy framework and to set up collaborative and consultative mechanisms with the components of the Movement, as it deems necessary, and *invites* the Standing Commission to present the Movement policy framework to the 2026 Council of Delegates;
4. *welcomes* the initiative of the Japanese Red Cross Society to promote and showcase the Movement's humanitarian action at the World Expo 2025, to be held in Osaka, Kansai, from 13 April to 13 October 2025, and *invites* all components of the Movement to encourage, support and participate in this event, as appropriate and according to their capabilities;
5. *invites* the Standing Commission to consider appropriate avenues for celebrating the centennial anniversary of the Council of Delegates, the Standing Commission and the first Statutes of the Movement at the statutory meetings in 2028, regarding it as an opportunity to reflect on the current challenges for humanitarian action and on emerging human vulnerabilities and to renew our collective commitment to meeting needs and contributing to a better future.