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"A MOVEMENT FIT FOR PURPOSE"

A programme of workshops took place online as a "journey to the Council of Delegates" in the months before the opening of the Council of Delegates. The outcomes will be presented at the plenary session of the Council and reflected in its summary record.

A joint opening ceremony for the Council of Delegates and the IFRC General Assembly will take place on the morning of 19 June 2022

The awards ceremony for the Henry Dunant Medal will be held on 22 June 2022 at 18:30, including the recognition of the Florence Nightingale Medal.

I. Opening and procedural matters

- 1. Opening of the Council of Delegates
- 2. Election of the Chair, Vice-Chair and other offices of the Council of Delegates
- 3. Adoption of the Agenda of the Council of Delegates
- 4. Journey to the Council of Delegates: presentation of the outcomes of the online workshops

II. Items for discussion and decision in plenary

WHAT WE DO: Addressing global and local needs and vulnerabilities

5. Endorsement of the Climate and Environment Charter for Humanitarian Organizations Our commitment to climate action as a Movement that leads and influences the humanitarian ecosystem was demonstrated at the 33rd International Conference. The idea of a charter stemmed from a growing recognition across the International Red Cross and Red Crescent Movement and the humanitarian sector more broadly of the responsibility we have to help reduce the humanitarian impacts of the climate and environmental crises. The Climate and Environment Charter for Humanitarian Organizations was adopted by the IFRC and the ICRC in May 2021 and was then opened for signature by other humanitarian organizations. A resolution is submitted to the Council for the endorsement of the Charter by the Movement.

6. War in cities

A resolution is submitted to the Council of Delegates to adopt the 2022–2027 Movement Action Plan to Prevent and Respond to the Humanitarian Impacts of War in Cities and to commit to its effective implementation. The action plan aims to strengthen the Movement's collective capacity to prevent and respond to the suffering caused by urban warfare, raising awareness through public communication and documentation of the impacts of war in cities, and to influence policy and practice through humanitarian diplomacy.

7. Towards a Movement strategy on migration

The Movement's role in addressing migration and its commitment to the issue have been affirmed through a number of resolutions and high-level dialogues at past Council of Delegates meetings and International Conferences. Through this resolution, the Council of Delegates would endorse the Migration Leadership Group's approach to developing a Movement strategy on migration and formally mandate it to undertake this work for stronger and more sustained Movement engagement to effectively contribute to preventing and responding to the most acute humanitarian problems affecting migrants.

8. Working towards the elimination of nuclear weapons: 2022–2027 action plan (including the Progress Report on the 2018–2021 action plan)

The Movement has played an important role in advancing the argument for nuclear disarmament, in line with commitments such as Resolution 4 of the 2017 Council of Delegates and its accompanying 2018–2021 action plan, which is due to expire. The Council of Delegates would adopt a new action plan on working towards the elimination of nuclear weapons.

9. Strengthening anticipatory action in the Movement: Our way forward

With this resolution, the Movement would commit to scaling up anticipatory action and strengthening the Movement's capacities, advocacy and expertise in this area, including integrating anticipatory action into operational and legal frameworks and processes and increasing the availability of and access to financing, so that it can better assist vulnerable populations in protecting themselves and their livelihoods from extreme events and their impact.

10. Movement approach to assuring and improving patient safety and quality of care

Through the proposed resolution, the Council would request the Movement components to promote the principles of patient safety and quality of clinical care, as described in the Framework for Patient Safety and Quality of Care developed by the IFRC and the ICRC, and to create a Movement-wide policy on patient safety and quality of humanitarian health care.

11. Strengthening the resilience of urban communities: Our way forward

Through the proposed resolution, the Council would request the Movement components to develop a globally applicable set of principles of action for urban resilience to be adopted at the 2023 Council of Delegates and subsequently presented to States and partners at the 35th International Conference, with a view to encouraging a stronger focus on urban resilience.

HOW WE WORK: Accountability, transparency, unity and sustainability of the Movement

12. Review of the Seville Agreement and its Supplementary Measures to enhance the collective impact of the Movement

Through the proposed resolution, the Council would adopt a revised Agreement on the Organization of the International Activities of the Components of the International Red Cross and Red Crescent

Movement ("Seville Agreement") of 1997 and its Supplementary Measures of 2005 to enhance the collective impact of the Movement's humanitarian action.

13. Revision of the regulations for the Henry Dunant Medal and the Red Cross and Red Crescent Prize for Peace and Humanity

The Standing Commission is mandated to administer and award the Henry Dunant Medal and the Red Cross and Red Crescent Prize for Peace and Humanity. In 2020, it adopted new guidelines for awarding the medal and the prize, with a view to supplementing the provisions of their regulations of 1965 and 1987 respectively on the eligibility and desired qualities of nominees, the nomination process and the review and decision-making process. They were also intended to foster diversity and inclusion and uphold the highest standards of integrity and ethics. The Standing Commission agreed to further reform the awards and submit to the Council of Delegates revised regulations for the medal and the prize which incorporate or amend key elements relating to eligibility requirements, diversity, inclusion and integrity and align their nomination processes.

14. Movement Family Links Medal

The resolution would establish a Movement medal for outstanding services in the field of Restoring Family Links (RFL) and propose the name "Movement Family Links Medal".

15. Implementation of the Memorandum of Understanding and Agreement on Operational Arrangements dated 28 November 2005 between Magen David Adom in Israel and the Palestine Red Crescent Society

16. Safeguarding humanitarian data

The resolution highlights the risks that cyber operations against humanitarian data pose to the people whose personal data are breached and to humanitarian organizations and their ability to fulfil their mandates to assist and protect people affected by armed conflict, natural disasters and other emergencies. The resolution would emphasize the Movement's commitment to using new technologies responsibly by striving to implement data protection rules and cyber security measures, and it sends a clear and strong message to States to respect and protect humanitarian organizations and their staff, data and assets, online as well as offline.

III. Follow-up and progress reports in plenary

THE CONTINUUM

The reports listed below have been submitted as working documents to all members of the Council. None of these reports will be introduced during, or discussed by, the Council unless a request to do so is submitted in advance by a member. Members of the Council wishing to comment on these reports are invited to send written submissions to the Conference organizers.

- **17.** Report on Resolution 1 of the 2019 Council of Delegates "Movement-wide Commitments for Community Engagement and Accountability"
- **18.** Report on Resolution 2 of the 2019 Council of Delegates "Statement on Integrity of the International Red Cross and Red Crescent Movement"
- **19.** Report on Resolution 5 of the 2019 Council of Delegates "International Red Cross and Red Crescent Movement policy on addressing mental health and psychosocial needs"
- **20.** Report on Resolution 7 of the 2019 Council of Delegates "Strengthening implementation of the Movement Policy on Internal Displacement: Ten years on"
- **21.** Report on Resolution 9 of the 2019 Council of Delegates "Strengthening Movement Coordination and Cooperation (SMCC 2.0)"
- **22.** Second progress report on Resolution 2 of the 2017 Council of Delegates "Movement-wide principles for resource mobilization"

- **23.** Addendum to the final progress report on Resolution 4 of the 2015 Council of Delegates "Adoption of the Strategic Framework on Disability Inclusion by the International Red Cross and Red Crescent Movement" (This report serves as an *addendum* to the 2017 and 2019 reports)
- **24.** Fourth progress report on Resolution 7 of the 2013 Council of Delegates "Weapons and international humanitarian law". It covers the period from November 2019 to February 2022.
- **25.** Progress report on Resolution 3 of the 2019 Council of Delegates "Movement approach to strengthening National Society statutory and constitutional base and complementary frameworks" by the Joint ICRC/International Federation Commission for National Society Statutes
- **26.** Progress report of the Joint Commission of the Empress Shôken Fund.
- **27.** Report on the work of the Standing Commission 2020–2022

IV. Closing of the Council

28. Date and venue of the next Council of Delegates
