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III. FINANCIAL POSITION

As in previous years the annual accounts of the ICRC have been audited by the Société fiduciaire romande OFOR S. A. (auditors recognized by the Swiss Federal Council and the Commission fédérale des banques) which certified the financial position of the International Committee for 1963 to be correct, as shown in the annexed Tables I to VI.

The manifold activities undertaken by the ICRC during the course of the past year entailed a certain increase of expenditure in excess of estimates. The events of the Centenary, the Exhibition and the Congress, in particular, overran the item "Allowances, salaries and wages" by an amount of approximately 215,000 Sw.frs. in relation to the budget. Furthermore, extraordinary expenditure, resulting from the ICRC medico-surgical relief mission in the Yemen, by itself reached a total of nearly 614,000 Sw.frs.

The regular financing of the ICRC depends, it should be recalled, on the generosity of the States parties to the Geneva Conventions, as well as of the National Red Cross Societies. For its relief actions, the ICRC is pleased to be able to count on the proceeds of its annual collection in Switzerland and on special payments made to it by governments, National Red Cross Societies and private donors.

The efforts made during the centenary year by all who contributed to the financing of the Committee's activities entitle one to hope for a readjustment of contributions, which the ever-increasing rise in the cost of living and the decrease in purchasing power has rendered indispensable.

The ICRC once more expresses its gratitude to all those who assure its financial support without which it could not continue to carry out its mission.

Examination of the financial results:

Table I.—ICRC Balance Sheet as on December 31, 1963

As the Balance Sheet shows, on the one hand, the increase of expenditure over ordinary receipts for the year, viz. 704,727.70 Sw.frs., has been placed in the Reserve for General Risks, and, on the other hand, the deficit outstanding at the end of 1963, for the ICRC relief action in Nepal (1,496,738.61 Sw.frs of which 1,300,730.21 was brought forward from 1962) and in the Yemen (613,840.89 Sw.frs.) has been provisionally transferred to assets.

Table II.—General Account of Ordinary Expenditure and Receipts in 1963

The budget for 1963 estimated a deficit of 580,000 Sw.frs. which the expenses incurred during the period brought to 704,724.70 Sw.frs., in spite of an increase in contributions registered in the Centenary Year.

Table III.—List of contributions to the ICRC in 1963 from Governments and National Red Cross Societies.

Total receipts, which we would emphasize constitute the very basis of the International Committee's regular financing, only covered approximately half of the institution's ordinary expenditure.

Table IV.—Summary of General Account for Relief Actions in 1963

Amongst other items under the heading of receipts is shown the net product of the ICRC's appeal in Switzerland (annual collection) which showed an increase over previous years and amounted to 766,933.20 Sw.frs.

Table V.—Summary Estimate of Ordinary Expenditure and Receipts of the ICRC for 1964

This estimate has been based on the actual current requirements of the ICRC. In other words, any change in the international situation can oblige the International Committee to face unexpected extensions to its activities and consequently to its financial needs.

Table VI.—Balance Sheet and Receipts and Expenditure Account in 1963 relative to Special Funds:

- 1. Foundation of the International Committee of the Red Cross
- 2. Augusta Fund
- 3. Empress Shôken Fund

Desiring to mark the year preceding the fiftieth anniversary of this Fund at the same time as the Red Cross Centenary, H.M. The Empress of Japan graciously made a personal donation to the Shôken Fund amounting to 3,600,000 Yen (approximately 43,000 Sw.frs.)

4. Florence Nightingale Medal Fund.

INTERNATIONAL COMMITTEE

BALANCE SHEET AS OF

ASSETS	Sw. Fr.	Sw. Fr.
Available and Realisable	a .	
Cash in hand: — in Swiss francs. — in Foreign currency. Balance at Postal Cheque Account. Bank Balances: — in Swiss francs. — in Foreign currency. Public securities. Other deposits	32,077.08 4,262.48 107,344.33 395,996.28 65,822.45 10,609,001.— 3,016,700.70	14,231,204.32
Debtors		
Governments	508,719.— 32,409.72 1,558.90 170,466.08 51,819.45	
Special funds administered by ICRC Other debtors and refundable costs	47,201.96 330,024.53	1,142,199.64
Temporary Assets	9	308,534.91
Commodities, current stocks		38,993.60
OTHER ASSETS (nominal)		
Capital share in the "Foundation for the Organisation of Red Cross Transports"	1.— 1.—	2.—
TRUST FUND		
Balance of interest on funds received in connection with the Peace Treaty with Japan (assets in foreign currency)		381,088.78
Total assets		16,102,023.25
Deficit, still to be covered, on relief actions in: Nepal	1,496,738.61	2 110 570 50
yemen	613,840.89	2,110,579.50 18,212,602.75
Debtor for security		400,000.—

DECEMBER 31, 1963

LIABILITIES	Sw. Fr.	Sw. Fr.
Funds for Relief Actions		
Funds not yet assigned	750,836.75 403,731.32 525,938.96	1,680,507.03
Creditors		
Governments	1,514,541.25 69,007.65 14,894.05	
Delegates and other ICRC staff members Others	48,830.40 368,117.21	2,015,390.56
Temporary Liabilities		316,732.45
Trust Fund	a	
Funds in connection with the Peace Treaty with Japan		381,088.78
Provisions		e# *
Provision for future International Conferences and meetings of the Red Cross	180,000.— 247,289.10	427,289.10
Reserves		
Reserve for action in case of conflict	5,000,000.—	
less: Deficit for 1963	3,391,594.83	•
Guarantee Fund		8,391,594.83 5,000,000.—
Guarantee in favour of the "Foundation for the Organisation of Red Cross Transports"		18,212,602.75

INTERNATIONAL COMMITTEE

GENERAL ACCOUNT OF ORDINARY

	Sw. Fr.	Sw. Fr.
EXPENDITURE		
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Overhead Expenses at Geneva Headquarters	*	d
Allowances, salaries and wages	3,017,260.45	
Family allowances, insurance and other social charges. Postage, telegrams, telephone	477,468.70 68,818.91 260,365.54	
land	38,479.95 10,187.55 122,061.18	w
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Special Expenses	×	
International Review of the Red Cross	85,266.90 72,212.65 132,859.40	
Council	39,000.— 33,072.45 89,348.35 36,018.59	
Missentineous expenses	30,010.37	487,778.34
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Delegations Abroad		190,835.26
Allocation to Provision for Future International		
Conferences and Meetings of the Red Cross .		4,703,255.88
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EXPENDITURE AND RECEIPTS FOR 1963

	Sw. Fr.	Sw. Fr.
RECEIPTS		
CONTRIBUTIONS AND GIFTS TOWARDS THE FINANCING OF THE GENERAL WORK		* *
Contributions by Governments	1,875,853.98 501,263.44 566,384.56	2,943,501.98
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Income from Investments	-	
Income from Public Securities and Bank Interest Income from ICRC Foundation	350,706.30 31,110.50	
		381,816.80
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Sums Recovered and Sundry Receipts	,	
Recovered outlays	641,383.75 31,828.65	673,212.40
Total Receipts	-	3,998,531.18
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*	27	
Deficit for 1963		
Written off by withdrawal from Reserve for General Risks		704,724.70
		4,703,255.88
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Table III

Contributions to the ICRC in 1963 from Governments and
National Red Cross Societies allocated to the Financing
of Expenditure in 1963

Countries	Governments	Red Cross Societies
	Sw. Fr.	Sw. Fr.
Albania Australia Austria Belgium Brazil Bulgaria Burma Canada	72,143.55 16,700.— 10,000.— 9,908.85 1,000.— 6,400.— 59,717.55	700.— 30,021.87 4,000.— 5,000.— 3,250.— 1,000.— 30,075.—
Ceylon	3,025.—	5,000.— 5,000.—
Colombia	17,200.—	3,726.— 480.— 3,000.—
Denmark	18,759.38	2,496.60
Ecuador	1,486.35 3,053.25	905.— 386.20 2,250.—
Finland	5,000.— 61,600.—	3,480.— 25,000.—
German Democratic Republic	54,179.95	6,000.— 25,000.— 2,100.—
Greece	18,000.— 1,000.— 67,800.—	5,000.— 2,500.— 2,700.—
Iran	20,000.— 8,000.— 5,500.— 7,500.—	3,750.— 4,000.—
Italy	60,000.— 1,600.— 21,606.25	20,000.—
Jordan	3,624.— 7,566.55 5,859.45	4,051.85 1,875.— 2,000.—
Lebanon	2,511.35 2,500.—	3,750.—
Luxemburg	2,000.— 1,600.— 4,800.—	3,730.—
Mexico	17,290.—	2,500.—

Countries	Governments	Red Cross Societies
	Sw. Fr.	Sw. Fr.
Morocco	1,800.— 13,000.— 24,120.— 12,000.—	2,500.— 26,400.— 8,155.17 1,726.— 5,000.— 2,500.— 3,000.— 4,800.—
Poland	15,000.— 10,000.—	7,500.—
Rumania	1,000.— 12,941.25 2,000.—	4,000.— 1,875.—
Sierra Leone	2,057.— 36,180.— 41,511.— 1,000,000.—	17,125.—
Syria	6,010.—	500.—
Thailand	1,500.—	3,437.50 1,900.— 10,625.—
United Kingdom	60,475.—	36,341.25 129,825.—
Upper Volta	1,762.—	500.— 16,306.—
Venezuela	14,456.50	1,750.—
Vietnam, Republic of Yugoslavia	3,949.75 6,000.—	2,000.— 2,500.—
*	1,875,853.98	501,263.44

In addition, the ICRC received in 1963 the following amounts concerning previous years, which were passed to the Reserve for General Risks Account:

Countries	Governments	Red Cross Societies
	Sw. Fr.	Sw. Fr.
India	10,000.— 54,000.—* 25,882.50	1,350.— 8,500.—
Yugoslavia	4,000.—	
	93,882.50	9,850.—

^{*} Special contribution.

SUMMARY OF GENERAL ACCOUNT FOR RELIEF ACTIONS IN 1963

	Sw. Fr.	Sw. Fr.
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Balance Carried Forward as from December 31, 1962		1,553,807.98
Funds not yet assigned	697,889.97 294,092.12	
Funds for current relief actions	561,825.89	
Plus: Total as above	1,553,807.98	
RECEIPTS IN 1963		
Funds received by the ICRC or placed at its disposal for relief actions of various descriptions:		
(a) Donations not allocated for specific purposes: — Net product of the collection in Switzerland (1963)	766,933.20	
(b) Funds received by the ICRC from various donors (communities or individuals) for specific actions	473,423.68	1,240,356.88
to be deducted:		2,794,164.86
Expenditure in 1963		
Sundry purchases, expenditure on delegations, missions and administration for relief actions		1,923,507.12
Balance		870,657.74
to be added:		070,037.74
Deficit for 1963 on relief actions still to be covered and provisionally included in		
the Balance Sheet: — Nepal (Tibetan refugees)	196,008.40	
— Yemen (field hospital)	613,840.89	809,849.29
Balance as on December 31, 1963		1,680,507.03
Apportioned as follows:		
Funds not yet assigned	750,836.75 403,731.32 525,938.96	
Total as above	1,680,507.03	
Total as above	1,000,507.05	

ESTIMATES OF RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURE FOR 1964 SPECIAL FUNDS

INTERNATIONAL COMMITTEE

SUMMARY ESTIMATE OF ORDINARY

Estimated Expenditure	1
	*
Overhead Expenses	
	2 00 4 000
Allowances, salaries and wages	2,804,000.—
Family allowances and social charges	433,900.—
Postage, telegrams, telephone	72,500.—
Equipment, maintenance and general supplies	240,500.—
Upkeep of cars and lorries	10,000.—
Reception of visitors and travelling expenses in Switzerland	15,000.—
Sundry expenses	53,000.—
OTHER EXPENSES	
Publications, Information	149,100.—
Allowances for expenses, members of the Presidential Council	43,800.—
Expert Committees	25,000.—
Study-visits and special translations	13,000.—
Missions from Geneva	200,000.—
Delegations abroad	416,900.—
	4,476,700.—
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Note: The above estimates do not include any margin for extraordinary expenditure which international circumstances might make it necessary for the ICRC to assume during the budgetary period.

EXPENDITURE AND RECEIPTS FOR 1964

	Sw. Fr.
ESTIMATED RECEIPTS	
Contributions from Governments	2,047,000.— 487,000.— 710,000.— 376,900.— 6,000.— 3,626,900.—
The insufficiency of receipts would thus amount to	849,800.—
	4,476,700.—

SPECIAL FUNDS

1. FOUNDATION FOR THE INTERNATIONAL COMMITTEE OF THE RED CROSS

BALANCE SHEET AS ON DECEMBER 31, 1963

Assets	Liabilities
Sw. Fr. Public securities: Credit entered in the Swiss Confederation National	Sw. Fr. Inalienable capital 1,028,252.52 Inalienable reserve fund : B/fwd from 1962 129,890.35
Debt Register valued at par . 827,000.— (Market value: Fr. 819,550.—)	Statutory allocation of 15% from net revenue in 1963 5,490.10 135,380.45
Securities deposited at the Swiss National Bank, Geneva, valued at par 284,600.— 1,111,600.— (Market value: Fr. 283,992.—)	Total value of funds 1,163,632.97 International Committee of the Red Cross: Funds in current account 31,391.10
Deposit at the Swiss National Bank, Geneva 75,322.07	
Administration fédérale des contributions, Berne (tax paid in advance to be refunded) . 8,102.— 1,195,024.07	1,195,024.07

RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT FOR 1963

Expenditure	C E-	RECEIPTS	C E
Deposit fees for safe custody of securities, auditors' fees and various expenses	Sw. Fr. 381.60	Income from securities in 1963	Sw. Fr. 36,982.20
Statutory allocation to in- alienable reserve fund: 15% of the net revenue in 1963 (Art. 8 of the Statutes)	5,490.10	1	
Allocation to the ICRC of balance of net revenue for 1963 (Art. 7 of the Statutes)	31,110.50 36,982.20		36,982.20

2. AUGUSTA FUND

BALANCE SHEET AS ON DECEMBER 31, 1963

Assets	Sw. Fr.	Liabilities	Sw. Fr.
Swiss Government securities (market value Fr. 117,600.—) at par	120,000.—	Inalienable capital	100,000.— 18,178.45
Deposit at the Swiss National Bank, Geneva	15,299.55	31, 1963	13,708.55 131,887.— 2,000.—
Administration fédérale des contributions, Berne (tax paid in advance to be refunded) .	972.— 136,271.55	International Committee of the Red Cross; Funds in current account	2,384.55 136,271.55

RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT FOR 1963

Fees for circulars, auditors' fees, deposit fees for safe custody of securities, various expenses	IDITURE	Sw. Fr. 427.55	RECEIPTS Income from securities in 1963 Balance carried forward from the previous year	Sw. Fr. 3,492.— 10,644.10
Balance available on December 31, 1963: Balance brought forward from the previous year.	10,644.10			
Receipts in excess of expenditure in 1963	3,064.45	13,708.55 14,136.10	*	14,136.10

3. EMPRESS SHÔKEN FUND

BALANCE SHEET AS ON DECEMBER 31, 1963

Assets	Sw. Fr.	Liabilities	Sw. Fr.
Swiss Public Securities valued at par (Stock Exchange value Fr. 498,120.—)	508,000.—	Inalienable capital: On 31 December 1962 346,250.— plus	
Bank, Geneva	28,680.99	Gift of H.M. the Empressof Japan	
Administration fédérale des contributions, Berne (Tax at source, to be reclaimed)	3,861.70	on the occasion of the Centenary of the Interna- tional Red Cross (Yen 3.600.000) 42,831.64	389,081.64
		Reserve for fluctu- ation in value .	106,747.10
		Provision for administrative expenses: Balance brought forward from 1962 507.45	
		Statutory allocation from 1963 income	
	9 2	Less: Actual administrative expenses in 1963 830.65	362.60
		Funds available according to accounts as on December 31, 1963	18,682.20
	* 2	Total amount of fund	514,873.54
		Creditors (allocations to be withdrawn)	21,500.—
	*	International Committee of Red Cross Assets on Current a/c	4,169.15
\ <u>-</u>	540,542.69		540,542.69

INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT FOR 1963

Expenditure		RECEIPTS	
	Sw. Fr.	Ÿ.	Sw. Fr.
42nd distribution of allocations to two National Red Cross		Income on investments in 1963 Balance brought forward from	13,716.25
Societies, in accordance with the decision of the Joint Com-		1962	14,651.75
mission, April 11, 1963	9,000.—		
Allocation of 5% of 1963 income to administration of Fund, in accordance with Article 7 of			
the Regulations	685.80		
Funds available as on December 31, 1963:			
Balance brought forward from			
1962 14,651.75			
Surplus receipts over expenditure			
in 1963 4,030.45	18,682.20		
, ,	28,368.—		28,368.—

4. FLORENCE NIGHTINGALE MEDAL FUND

BALANCE SHEET AS ON DECEMBER 31, 1963

Assets		LIABILITIES	
	Sw. Fr.	Sw. Fr.	
Swiss Government securities valued at par (market value Fr. 30,080.—)	32,000.—	Capital 25,000.— Reserve: Balance brought	ě
Deposit at Swiss National Bank, Geneva	2,774.80	forward from 1963 2,799.19	
Administration fédérale des contributions, Berne (tax paid in advance to be refunded).	259.20	Less Excess expenditure over receipts in 1963 2,022.35 776.84	ļ
	2	Total value of funds 25,776.84	ļ
*		International Committee of the Red Cross:	
_	<u> </u>	Funds in current account . 9,257.16)
	35,034.—	35,034.—_	

RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT FOR 1963

Expenditure		RECEIPTS	
	Sw. Fr.		Sw. F1.
Type setting and printing of new Florence Nightingale diploma	1,594.65	Income from securities in 1963	931.20
Printing costs, Circular No. 441	629.—	Excess expenditure over receipts in 1963	2,022.35
Engraving of medals	310.—	*	
Postage, Auditors' fees, fees for safe custody of securities and			
sundry charges	419.90		
_	2,953.55	_	2,953.55