# Financial position

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## III. FINANCIAL POSITION

#### I. BALANCE SHEET

## 1.1 ICRC accounts (Table Ia)

A feature of the 1969 balance sheet of the ICRC is the increase in the deficits of its "relief action" accounts. These rose from 2,163,705 francs at the end of 1968 to 6,468,054 francs at the end of 1969, i.e. an increase of 4,304,349 francs. Details of expenditure, with comparable 1968 figures, are as follows:

	Deficit		
	at end of at end of		
	1969 1968		
Action in Yemen	1,707,513.— 838,548.—		
Action in Vietnam	1,299,475.— 459,862.—		
Action in Middle East	2,792,775.— 865,295.—		
Action in Aden	343,769.— —.—		
Action in Greece	279,122.— —.—		
Action for textbook	45,400.— —.—		
	6,468,054.— 2,163,705.—		

As a counterpart, advances granted by the Swiss Confederation rose from 1,820,000 francs at the end of 1968 to 6,340,000 francs at the end of 1969.

The lay-out of the balance sheet has been slightly modified with regard to the one for 1968; fiduciary funds, as well as sureties, have been entered separately, and are not included in the balance sheet total.

## 1.2 Nigeria relief action accounts (Table Ib)

Although this action constitutes an integral part of ICRC activities, it has assumed such vast proportions that a separate account of its assets and liabilities has been found to be necessary. Therefore a separate balance sheet, giving the provisional position as at 31 December 1969, is shown in Table Ib.

A second statement of the balance sheet and of the definite results of the action will be published in the course of 1970 in a special report dealing with the overall activities deployed for over 15 months by all those who had collaborated in the action co-ordinated by the ICRC.

#### II. STATEMENT OF EXPENDITURE AND INCOME

## 2.1 ICRC Regular Budget (Table IIa)

Since 1966, the ICRC has gradually modified its internal structure, especially through a marked expansion in the qualified personnel which is required for carrying out the ever more complex and numerous tasks arising from the international situation and falling upon its shoulders. Moreover, the ICRC feels obliged to be present in a permanent capacity in several areas of the third world where the development of Red Cross activities has assumed very great significance. This has been reflected in the regular budget by an increase in expenditure, which has risen from a total of 4,752,213 francs in 1966 to 6,243,438 francs in 1968 and 7,009,101 francs in 1969. This represents a rise of 12 per cent for the year 1969 as compared with the preceding year.

The numerous resolutions adopted by the XXIst International Conference of the Red Cross, held at Istanbul in September 1969, have still further increased the tasks of the ICRC, whose 1970 budget includes expenses totalling 7,672,000 francs.

It is essential that Governments should continue to be ever more attentive to the problem of regular financial contributions to the ICRC, by contributing amounts in proportion to the effort demanded. In this connection, Resolution VIII of the last International Conference at Istanbul:

"appeals urgently to all Governments signatories to the Geneva Conventions to increase considerably their regular financial contribution to the ICRC so that in 1970 total contributions will be double the amount contributed in 1969...

"asks each Government and National Society which has so far not joined in this common effort to do so by contributing substantially from 1970 onwards."

In 1969, Government contributions received by the ICRC did not reach the level attained in 1968, which included 158,910 francs of contributions in respect of 1967. The real increase in Government contribution for 1969 amounts to 26,866 francs, equal to a percentage increase of 0.63 while National Society contributions rose by 4.55 per cent. If these rates are compared to the rate of expansion in ICRC activities which is certainly not less than 10 per cent, then the effort that must be exerted in 1970 emerges very clearly.

On the other hand, thanks to measures that were taken relative to financial management which coincided fortunately with a larger amount of working capital as well as with higher short-term interest rates, income rose from 335,339 francs in 1968 to 557,564 francs in 1969, thus giving rise to a supplementary flow of income which was as welcome as it was unexpected. But, such a situation cannot be expected to recur every year and it cannot be taken into consideration to any extent when making estimates for future income.

## 2.2. Relief Action in Nigeria (Table IIb)

Pending the publication of the definite figures relative to this action, we have thought that it might be useful to set out known figures for expenditure and income, as at the end of 1969, and, parallel with them, those for 1968.

These figures are solely in respect of the financial cost of the action co-ordinated by the ICRC, and do not include the value of gifts in kind, services rendered by personnel, and material

assistance supplied free of charge by Governments, National Red Cross Societies and other institutions, and which amount, according to a preliminary estimate, to a total of over 350 million francs for the whole period of the relief operation.

A statistical study is being undertaken, in collaboration with all contributors, in order to determine the exact value of donated goods and services. Results will be published during the second half of 1970.

## 2.3. Other relief actions (Table IIc)

Expenditure and income appearing in the regular budget represent only a part of the activities carried out during the year under review. There should be added, to these figures, expenditure and income relative to relief actions, or special actions such as that for the textbook, which are financed either by extraordinary contributions and sums allocated to them by the ICRC from the Relief Action Fund whose source of income is the annual public collection in Switzerland, or by allocations made from income derived from the Benedict Fund, named after its testator, Mrs. Clare R. Benedict.

The main financial support for these relief actions is provided by the advances granted to the ICRC by the Swiss Confederation to enable it to meet its obligations. Out of a total credit of 10 million francs, granted in March 1968, the ICRC had utilized, up to the end of 1969, a sum of 6,340,000 francs for relief action in Yemen, Vietnam, the Middle East, Greece and Aden, and for the textbook campaign. In addition, the sum of 3,160,000 francs had been kept in reserve during 1969 for action in Nigeria and will be utilized in 1970 for those other relief actions mentioned above.

#### III. OTHER ACCOUNTS

Tables IV and V concern the Special Funds managed by the ICRC; their expenditure and income do not call for any special comments.

### INTERNATIONAL COMMITTEE

## BALANCE SHEET AS AT

	ASSETS	Sw.Fr.	Sw.Fr.
1. L	LIQUID ASSETS		
1.	.1. Cash in hand, in banks and postal accounts		1,262,785.—
2. C	CURRENT ASSETS		
2. 2.	.1. Public securities	6,809,152.— 453,013.— 1,073,040.— 125,099.— 795,581.— 211,372.—	9,467,257.—
	OIXED ASSETS		7,107,237.
3.	.1. Relief supplies	229,109.— 207,000.—	436,109.—
10.00	ADVANCES FOR CURRENT EXPENSES  1. Missions and delegations		310,739.—
5. 5. 5. 5. 5.	DEFICIT ON RELIEF AND OTHER ACTIONS  1. Yemen	1,707,513.— 1,299,475.— 2,792,775.— 343,769.— 279,122.— 45,400.—	6,468,054.— 17,944,944.—
6.	CUNDS HELD IN TRUST  1. Pseudo-medical experiments, funds to be transferred	2,094,820.— 511,561.—	2,606,381.—
100 AT 100 A	OURETY  1. Foundation for the organization of ICRC transports		400,000.—

## OF THE RED CROSS

## 31 DECEMBER 1969.

Table Ia

LIABILITII	ΞS	Sw.Fr.	Sw.Fr.
1. Short-term liabilities			
1.1. Accounts payable:  — Governments  — National Red Cross institutions  — Sundry creditors  1.2. Accrued liabilities	Societies and other	1,022.— 161,290.— 1,238,757.— 181,456.—	1,582,525
2. Other debts			r
2.1. Advance granted by the for relief actions	e Swiss Confederation		6,340,000.—
3. Provisions and Reserve 1	Funds		
— relief actions under wa 3.3. Capital Reserve funds:  — General reserve  less: deficit for year 19  — Reserve for actions in	(Swiss national public	256,446.— 327,290.— 1,176,037.— 615,833.— 3,168,379.— (521,566.—) 2,646,813.— 5,000,000.—	583,736.—  1,791,870.—  7,646,813.—  17.944,944.—
4. Funds held in trust			
<ul><li>4.1. Pseudo-medical experime ferred</li><li>4.2. Peace Treaty with Japan</li><li>5. Surety</li></ul>		2,094,820.— 511,561.—	2,606,381.—
5.1. Foundation for the organ ports	ization of ICRC trans-		400,000.—

## RELIEF ACTION

## BALANCE SHEET AS AT

ASSETS	Sw.Fr.	Sw.Fr.
1. Liquid Assets 1.1. Postal accounts and Cash in Bank		1,836,218.37
2. OTHER ASSETS  2.1. Banks	3,160.000.— 93,253.40 28,552.02	3,281,805.42
3. Advances for current expenses 3.1. Missions and Delegations		470,558.90
4. Relief action costs remaining to be covered  Total		1,470,349.61 7,058,932.30

## IN NIGERIA

## 31 **DECEMBER** 1969

LIABILITIES	Sw.Fr.	,
1. Current Liabilities		Sw.Fr.
1.1. Accounts payable	3,612,853.82 54,550.10	3,667,403.92
2. Other debts		
2.1. Advance granted by the Swiss Confederation for relief action	3,930,000,— 770,000,—	3,160,000.—
3. Other commitments		
3.1. Relief action (vaccination) under way		231,528.38
Total		7,058,932.30

## INTERNATIONAL COMMITTEE

## STATEMENT OF EXPENDITURE

	Sw.Fr.
EXPENDITURE	
I. Activities abroad	
(delegations and missions, relief programmes, Central Tracing Agency)  1. Staff at ICRC headquarters, Geneva 2. Permanent delegations in the field 3. Missions from Geneva 4. Central Tracing Agency 5. Equipment, organization and overheads	1,399,782.— 428,828.— 91,627.— 645,580.— 239,208.— 2,805,025.—
II. HUMANITARIAN LAW AND INFORMATION	
<ol> <li>(Geneva Conventions and humanitarian law, information, publications, translations, archives)</li> <li>Staff at ICRC headquarters, Geneva</li> <li>Commissions of experts, Red Cross Conferences</li> <li>Publications and documents, information</li> <li>International Review of the Red Cross</li> </ol>	1,296,277.— 80,400.— 87.390.— 97,705.— 1,561,772.—
III Administration	
(General administrative services, finance and accounting, personnel and travel, technical services, premises)	
<ol> <li>Staff at ICRC headquarters, Geneva</li> <li>Technical equipment</li> <li>Administrative expenses</li> <li>Provision for share price fluctuations</li> <li>Buildings</li> <li>Pensions insurance and social security charges</li> </ol>	1,032,567.— 98,262.— 410,760.— 275,000.— 220,453.— 605,262.— 2,642,304,—
Total expenditure	7,009,101,—

## OF THE RED CROSS

## AND INCOME FOR 1969

## Table IIa

	Sw.Fr.
INCOME	
I. Contributions and gifts towards the financing of fixed costs	*9
1. Government contributions	4,286,586.— 639,966.— 574,591.—
	5,501,143,—
	,
II. Interest on investments and sundry income  1. Income from securities and interest on bank deposits	489.007
2. Income from the Foundation for the ICRC	488,907.— 41,968.— 26,689.— 557,564.—
III.Participation from the general account for relief actions	428,828.—
Total income	6,487,535.—
DEFICIT	
	521 566 —
	7,009,101.—
Total income	521,566.—

# EXPENDITURE AND INCOME OF RELIEF ACTION IN NIGERIA, 1969

	Nigeria	Secessionist area	Total
EXPENDITURE	Sw.Fr.	Sw.Fr.	Sw.Fr.
Staff salaries, travel expenses and allowances, all risks insurances	3,744,091.—	5,692,419.—	9,436,510.—
Local staff (locally-recruited labour)	1,701,582.—	428,525.—	2,130,107.—
Delegation overheads	1,364,191.—	1,200,164.—	2,564,355.—
Equipment and outlays for delegations .	381,080.—	1,091.296.—	1,472,376.—
Equipment and outlays for transport and distribution of relief supplies	3,423,117.—	5,496,271.—	8,919,388.—
Cost of transport and distribution	8,716,462.—	42,883,789.—	51,600,251.—
ICRC special expenses	1,269,601.—		1,269,601.—
Purchase of relief supplies (food and medical supplies)	11,180,969.—	10,675,483.—	21,856,452.—
Special actions (stockfish, vaccination programme, coasting vessels)	3,636,954.—	3,820,075.—	7,457,029.—
	35,418,047.—	71,288,022.—	106,706,069.—
INCOME			
Contributions from Governments			84,692,463.—
Contributions from National Red Cross Socie	ties		3,058,658.—
Contributions from Organizations and privat	e sources		7,184,776.—
Funds received for financing special actions			9,481,607.—
Other income			850,112.— 105,267,616.—
Excess of expenditure over income for 1969.			1,438,453.—
Excess of expenditure over income brought f	orward from 1968	3	31,896.—
Excess of expenditure over income at 31 Dec	ember 1969		1,470,349.—

### ANALYSIS OF RELIEF AND OTHER ACTION EXPENDITURE

	Yemen	Vietnam	Middle East	Aden	Greece	Textbook
D	Sw.Fr.	Sw.Fr.	Sw.Fr.	Sw.Fr.	Sw.Fr.	Sw.Fr.
Personnel expenses (travel, insurance, etc.)	398,950.—	722,884.—	1,421,732.—	477,068.—	83,606.—	3,910.—
Delegation overheads	90,534.—	115,886.—	469,712.—	67,002.—	87,055.—	24,118.—
Equipment and outlays	11,189.—	843.—	92,628.—		108,461.—	
Relief supplies distributed	348,673.—	_	293,919.—	124,870.—		_
ICRC special expenses	(25,613.—)	_	55,360.—	_	_	90,662.—
Transfer	210,283.—	_		(210,283.—)		
Total Expenditure	1,034,016.—	839,613.—	2,333,351.—	458,657.—	279,122.—	118,690.—
Donations	(165,051.—)	_	(116,535.—)	(57,444.—)		_
Benedict Fund	_		(172,800.—)	_	_	
Relief actions fund			(116,535.—)	(57,444.—)		
Provision	-	_				(73,290.—)
Deficit brought forward from 1968	868,965.— 838,548.—		1,927,481.— 865,294.—	343,769.—	279,122.—	45,400.—
Totals, as shown in the Balance Sheet	1,707,513.—	1,299,475.—	2,792,775.—	343,769.—	279,122.—	45,400.—
Advances from Swiss Confederation	(1,920,000)	(1,250,000.—)	(2,650,000)	_	(270,000.—)	(250,000.—)

# Contributions to the ICRC in 1969, from Governments Financing of

Countries	Governments	Red Cross Societies
	Sw.Fr.	Sw.Fr.
Albania Australia Austria Belgium Brazil Bulgaria Burma Cambodia Cameroon	71,730.— 25,035.— 10,830.— 12,960.— 6,400.— 3,875.—	700.— 37,500.— 15,000.— 12,500.— 4,500.— 3,000.— 4,000.—
Canada	80,500.— 3,150.— 8,640.—	40,200.— — 4,280.—
China (People's Republic) Colombia Congo (Kinshasa) Costa Rica Cyprus Czechoslovakia Denmark Dominican Republic Ecuador Ethiopia Finland France German Democratic Republic German Federal Republic Ghana Greece Guyana Haiti Honduras Hungary Iceland	14,310.— 8,660.— 1,530.— 1,530.— 57,500.— 6,530.—² 13,380.— 151,720.— 9,000.— 215,300.— 215,300.— 4,320.— 4,320.— 3,000.—⁴ 2,500.— 44,800.—	4,260.—  4,965.—  480.—  3,000.—  4,000.—  2,750.—  2,950.—  3,000.—  41,000.—  6,000.—  42,500.—  12,000.—  2,000.—  2,160.—  3,980.—  2,000.—  3,426.—  3,426.—  5
India Indonesia Iran Iraq Iraq Ireland Italy Ivory Coast Jamaica Japan Jordan Kenya Korea, Democratic People's Republic of Korea, Republic of	15,000.— 20,000.— 7,500.— 86,440.— 3,200.— 2,585.— 64,800.— 4,520.— —	3,420.— 3,250.— 13,000.— 3,500.— 3,500.—  — — — — 13,500.— 2,091.— 3,000.— 6,000.—
Kuwait	30,000.—	=

and National Red Cross Societies, allocated to the Expenditure in 1969.

Lebanon	Countries	Governments	Red Cross Societies
Liberia   -     2,160     3,250		Sw.Fr.	Sw.Fr.
In respect of 1968:  1. 10,000 7. 13,500 13. 2,001 2. 5,342 8. 1,191 14. 2,564 3. 5,157 9. 1,000 15. 5,850 4. 2,000 10. 2,000 16. 1,040 5. 1,713 11. 10,000 17. 2,980	Liberia Liechtenstein Luxembourg Malagasy Republic Mali Mexico Monaco Morocco Nepal Netherlands New Zealand Nicaragua Nigeria Norway Peru Philippines Poland Portugal Romania San Marino Saudi Arabia Senegal Sierra Leone South Africa, Republic of Spain Sweden Switzerland Syria Tanzania Thailand Togo Trinidad and Tobago Tunisia Turkey Uganda United Kingdom United Kingdom United States Upper Volta U.S.S.R. Venezuela Yugoslavia	2,000.— 1,935.— 17,280.— 4,400.— 15,080.— 4,000.— 25,000.— 128,600.— 4,320.— 6,000.— 20,000.— 15,000.— 15,000.— 15,000.— 15,000.— 11,969.— 14,8320.— 11,969.— 14,8320.— 11,969.— 14,8320.— 11,969.— 14,8320.— 11,969.— 11,969.— 11,969.— 12,500.— 13,000.— 15,000.— 15,000.— 15,000.— 15,000.— 15,000.— 15,000.— 15,000.— 11,969.— 14,969.— 14,969.— 14,969.— 14,969.— 15,500.— 103,715.— 2,160.— 2,980.— 17,39,900.— 103,715.— 216,000.— 19,450.— 2,500.— 2,5	2,160.— 3,250.— 5,000.— 2,000.— 3,000.— 3,000.— 10,000.— 2,500.— 10,750.— 8,000.— 10,000.— 2,500.— 4,001.— 13 15,000.— 18,350.— 15,000.— 2,500.— 6,000.— 2,500.— 15,540.— 16,200.— 16,200.— 3,000.— 16,200.— 16,200.— 16,200.— 16,200.— 16,200.— 16,200.— 16,200.— 16,200.—
0, 1,000 12, 3,330	2. 5,342 3. 5,157 4. 2,000 5. 1,713	7. 13,500 8. 1,191 9. 1,000 10. 2,000 11. 10,000	13. 2,001 14. 2,564 15. 5,850 16. 1,040

## Table IV

## INTERNATIONAL COMMITTEE OF THE RED CROSS

## SPECIAL FUND FOR RELIEF ACTIONS

	Sw.Fr.	Sw.Fr.
Summary of movements in 1969		
1. Balance carried forward from 31 December 1968		2,367,650.—
2. Receipts in 1969:		
2.1. Net product of public collection in Switzerland 2.2. Other donations for specific actions	899,531.— 205,314.—¹	1,104,845.—
		3,472,495.—
3. Expenditure in 1969:		
3.1. Purchases and forwarding and distribution costs	1,680,625.—1	
3.2. Contribution to the expenses of the Central Tracing Agency		1,680,625.—
4. Balance as at 31 December 1969		1,791,870.—

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Not including relief action in Nigeria.

## 1. FOUNDATION FOR THE INTERNATIONAL COMMITTEE OF THE RED CROSS

#### BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31 DECEMBER 1969

Assets		CAPITAL AND LIABILITIES	
	Sw.Fr.		Sw.Fr.
Public securities, nominal value:		Inalienable capital Inalienable reserve fund:	1,028,252.52
- Swiss Funds (market value Fr. 849,800.—) 915,000.—		<ul><li>b/fwd from 1968 167,681.60</li><li>Statutory allocation of</li></ul>	
- Foreign Funds (market value Fr. 182,300.—) 172,410.—	1,087,410.—	15% of net revenue in 1969	175,087.85
Deposit with Swiss National Bank, Geneva	141,961.32	Total value of capital	1,203,340.37
Amounts receivable:  - Administration fédérale des contributions, Berne (tax paid in advance, to		International Committee of the Red Cross: funds in current account	41,968.25
be refunded) 10,912.50 - German Federal Govern-			
ment (tax deducted at	15 027 20		
source, to be refunded) 5,024.80	15,937.30		
	1,245,308.62		1,245,308.62

#### RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT FOR 1969

Expenditure		RECEIPTS	
Fees for safe keeping of securities, auditors' fees	Sw.Fr. 894.—	Income from securities in 1969	Sw.Fr. 50,268.50
Statutory allocation to inalienable reserve fund: 15% of net revenue in 1969 (Art. 8 of the Statutes)	7,406.25		
Allocation to the ICRC of balance of net revenue for 1969 (Art. 7 of the Statutes)	41,968.25 50,268.50	-	50,268.50

## 2. AUGUSTA FUND

## BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31 DECEMBER 1969

Assets		Capital and Liabilit	IES
Sw.Fr. Swiss Government Securities	Sw.Fr.	Inalienable capital	Sw.Fr. 100,000.—
nominal value (market value Fr. 103,120.—) 108,000.—		Reserve for fluctuation in value	18,318.45
Other Swiss		Florence Nightingale Medal Fund: allocation of excess of Receipts over Expenditure	
securities (market value	106 020 45	as at 31.12.1969	14,641.20
Fr. 22,230.—) 18,930.45 Cash in banks	126,930.45 6,964.80	Creditors (allocations to be withdrawn)	2,000.—
Administration fédérale des contributions, Berne (tax paid in advance to be re-			
funded)	1,064.40	_	
<u>.</u>	134,959.65	_	134,959.65

### RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT FOR 1969

Brought forward from 31 December 1968	Sw.Fr.	Sw.Fr. 3,158.95
Income from securities in 1969	3,544.90 8,218.15	11,763.05 14,922.—
Less: Auditors' fee	180.— 100.80	280.80
Balance available at 31 December 1969		14,641.20
allocated to the Florence Nightingale Medal Fund, pursuant to Resolution VI of the XXIst International Conference of the Red Cross.		

## 3. FLORENCE NIGHTINGALE MEDAL FUND

## BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31 DECEMBER 1969

Assets		CAPITAL AND LIABILITIES
	Sw.Fr.	Sw.Fr.
Swiss Government securities, nominal value (market value		Capital
Sw.fr. 28,640.—)	32,000.—	Reserve:
Deposit at Swiss National Bank, Geneva	2,392.85	— Balance brought forward from 1968 9,602.85
Administration fédérale des contributions (tax paid in		- Excess receipts over expenditure in 1969 . 14,719.20 24,322.05
advance, to be refunded) . Augusta Fund	288.— 14,641.20	
	49,322.05	49,322.05

## RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT FOR 1969

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## 4. THE CLARE R. BENEDICT FUND

#### BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31 DECEMBER 1969

(EXPRESSED IN US\$: APPROPRIATIONS NOT INCLUDED)

Assets	LIABILITIES
US\$	US\$
Securities	Capital 1,000,000.—
(market value: US\$ 949,136.—) 1,029,383.—	Reserve for fluctuation in share
Cash in bank	values 48,153.–
	Accounts payable 650.—
	Excess of income over expen-
	diture
1,104.497.—	1,104.497.—

#### RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT FOR 1969

Expenditure	US\$	RECEIPTS	US\$
Fees for safekeeping and sundry expenses	3,529.—	Income from securities Interest on bank deposits	55,798.— 3,281.—
Excess of receipts over expenditure for 1969	55,694.— 59,223.—	Balance brought forward from 1968 of unappropriated income	<u>144.—</u> 59,223.—

According to the rules of the Fund, the 1969 income has been used for the benefit of war victims, appropriations to relief programmes in 1970 being as follows: \$30,000 for actions in Israel-controlled territories; \$25,000 for disabled Yemenites (artificial limb workshop); \$694 carried forward.