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à

la Représentation permanente de la Belgique  
auprès de l'Office des Nations Unies (O.N.U.) et des  
institutions spécialisées

à Genève

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**Objet: Contributions au budget général du CICR pour un engagement sur 3 ans (2018-2020) de 25.500.000 EUR, avec une liquidation de 8.500.000 EUR par an – A.B. 14 54 52.35.40.81 – MU/2018/03**

Veuillez trouver ci-joint 1 exemplaire original de la lettre-convention signée par le Ministre, ainsi que la copie de l'arrêté ministériel octroyant le subside de 25.500.000 EUR au CICR, pour trois années.

Je vous saurais gré de transmettre ces documents à l'organisation et d'assurer la bonne réception de leur accord sur les termes de la lettre-convention.

Je vous prie également de nous transmettre leur lettre de créance demandant le versement de ce subside assorti du compte de l'organisation (avec mention du numéro IBAN et SWIFT).

Ce document nous permettra de démarrer la procédure de libération de ces fonds.

Dans ce but, je me permets de rappeler que les **déclarations de créance** doivent être impérativement envoyées au **Service B&B** pour leur inscription officielle (Avec copie informative au service gestionnaire, D5.1).

Merci d'avance pour votre collaboration.

Peter VAN ACKER  
Directeur D5

Annexes :- 1 lettre-convention + 1 AM

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KINGDOM OF BELGIUM

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Digital Agenda, Post and Telecommunications

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28/03/2018

Dear Sir,

**Objet: Voluntary contribution to the general budget of ICRC 2018-2020**

I have the pleasure to inform you that the Government of Belgium, through its Federal Public Service of Foreign Affairs – Directorate-General for Development Cooperation (DGD) has foreseen a contribution of 25.500.000 EUR for a three year period, covering 2018, 2019 and 2020 as a multi-year financial contribution to the regular resources of ICRC, under the "Terms and Conditions of the Contribution" as stated in this letter.

This contribution of 25.500.000 EUR will be paid in three installments as follows: 8.500.000 EUR in 2018, 8.500.000 EUR in 2019 and 8.500.000 EUR in 2020.

Please find enclosed a copy of the Ministerial Decree awarding 25.500.000 EUR for a 3 years period (2018-2020), with an annual payment of 8.500.000 EUR.

**Terms and Conditions of the Contribution**

**1. Payment conditions**

1.1. The contribution will be paid in three installments:

- The first installment will be paid upon receipt of ICRC's written acceptance of the terms and conditions described in this letter, together with a formal claim of the payment of the contribution stating ICRC's bank account.
- The second and third installments will be paid in 2019 and 2020, upon reception of a payment request stating ICRC's bank account, the last available annual report and the last available consolidated financial and audit report.

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- 1.2. The payment will be done into the following bank account:

Bank	UBS SA P.O. Box 2600 CH – 1211 Geneva 2
Account Number	240-C0129986.5
SWIFT Code	UBSWCHZH80A
IBAN	CH 25 0024 0240 C012 9986.5

- 1.3. This letter of the Belgian Minister in charge of Development Cooperation and the written acceptance by ICRC of the terms and conditions specified in this letter constitute the specific agreement for the award and use of the subsidy.

## **2. Use and administration of the contribution**

- 2.1. The contribution shall only be used for any budgeted activities under the budget and the strategic work plan of ICRC.
- 2.2. Administration of the contribution and procurement of goods and services shall be governed by ICRC's Financial Rules and Regulations.
- 2.3. In any case, eligible expenses will only start at the date of signature of the Ministerial decree awarding the funds.
- 2.4. Any modification of the present agreement shall be officially requested to the Director General of the DGD and must receive its written approval.
- 2.5. ICRC commits to inform the DGD in case of (suspected) active or passive fraud or corruption. ICRC will also inform DGD on the measures taken by the organization to mitigate and resolve the identified problem(s).
- 2.6. Ownership of equipment, supplies and other property financed from the contribution shall be vested in ICRC. Matters relating to the transfer of ownership by ICRC shall be determined in accordance with the relevant policies and procedures of ICRC.
- 2.7. While this contribution is normally spent within the triennium in which it is allocated, any unspent portion of the grant will remain in ICRC's general fund until fully used in accordance with ICRC's regulations, rules, directives and procedures.

## **3. Justification and reporting**

- 3.1. The ICRC shall justify the use of these funds by providing standardized annual activity and financial reports. These reports shall be made in accordance with the Statutes of the organization.
- 3.2. The contribution shall be subject exclusively to the internal and external auditing procedures provided by ICRC's Financial Rules and Regulations. If the External Auditors' audit opinion should include observations about the way the contribution, regulated by the present convention, is used, ICRC commits to inform the DGD of it and to update the DGD of its answer and potential actions to correct the situation.
- 3.3. The staff of ICRC responsible for and in charge of the implementation of the program and project which are the object of the Belgian contribution, shall provide



the representatives of the Belgian Development Cooperation, on request, with every information concerning the use of the funds object of this letter as well as regarding the progress of the program and project.

#### **4. Interpretation and dispute**

- 4.1. Any dispute concerning the interpretation or implementation of the contribution shall be settled by negotiation or by any other non-judicial means including arbitration, as agreed upon by ICRC and DGD.
- 4.2. If, any time, either party determines that the purpose of this letter can no longer be effectively or appropriately carried out, the present arrangement may be terminated at the initiative of either ICRC or DGD giving three months written notice. Nevertheless contractual obligations entered into force between ICRC and any third party prior to the receipt of the notice of termination, shall not be affected by the termination.

#### **5. Consultation**

- 5.1. Upon request and as coordinated with ICRC, donor representatives will be welcome to participate in program reviews and evaluations, at the donors own expense.
- 5.2. Belgium is very committed to the Grand Bargain. We attach great value to the implementation of the Grand Bargain commitments by its different stakeholders. Therefore, Belgium will consequently and systematically discuss this topic during its meetings and consultations with all relevant stakeholders in the humanitarian ecosystem. Moreover, the effective translation of these commitments into concrete action will be taken into account when Belgium will decide on its new financing cycle for core contributions (2021-2023).

#### **6. Correspondence**

- 6.1. The offices responsible for all matters related to this letter are:

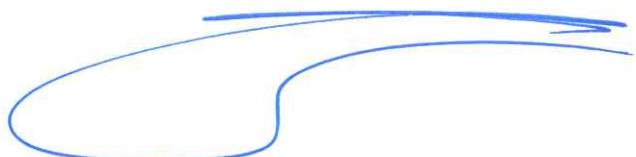
**For ICRC**

ICRC Headquarter  
Geneva

**For Belgium**

The Permanent Mission of Belgium to the  
United Nations and ICRC in Geneva

Yours Faithfully,



Alexander De Croo

Enclosure(s):Copy of the Ministerial Decree



