



International Federation  
of Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies

*The President*

Mr Andreas Mamadopoulos  
President  
Board members, Hellenic Red  
Cross

Geneva, 27 February 2019

Dear Mr President, dear Board members of the Hellenic Red Cross, dear friends and colleagues,

I am writing to you on behalf of the International Federation of Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies (IFRC) following the visit of CMC Panel Rapporteur Dr Kopetzky and receipt of his report on the developments in your National Society. I was pleased to hear positive news from Athens, such as the approval of the new statutes which will hopefully turn the Hellenic Red Cross into a modern and vibrant National Society.

The Governing Board of the IFRC is fully aware that you are also facing many challenges in the other steps you are taking, such as the membership campaign and the organisation of the General Assembly to be held on 31 March 2019. As always, the CMC Panel is there to support you on behalf of the IFRC, in implementation of the mandate given to it by the Governing Board and with my full support and trust.

I really do hope that your Board will strengthen its leadership role in the HRC and guide the National Society in its next steps. Many of your wonderful volunteers – so admired by the entire Red Cross and Red Crescent Movement – expect this from the leaders of the National Society; the Red Cross and Red Crescent family expects this from you. Once again, I appeal to the sense of responsibility of every single HRC Board member and call on you all to move forward and work together as a team in navigating the difficult road ahead.

The IFRC supports you and trusts that you will step up to and own the future of the HRC. I hope to soon see substantial and sustainable positive developments that will lead to the reinstatement of your National Society to full membership.

Sincerely,

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