



ICRC REGIONAL DELEGATION

(COVERING HUNGARY, POLAND, ROMANIA AND SLOVAKIA)
APRIL 2022 – JANUARY 2023

In response to the international armed conflict between Russia and Ukraine, the ICRC scaled up its activities, setting up a regional delegation covering, Hungary, Poland, Romania and Slovakia. We work in close collaboration with the National Red Cross Societies and the International Federation of Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies (IFRC) in the region to respond to the humanitarian needs.

OUR FOCUS IS TO:

- Support the Red Cross Societies in restoring the family links of people separated and missing as a result of the armed conflict as well as to address any other challenges families of the missing may face.
- Engage with Ukrainian refugees in countries neighboring Ukraine to better understand the concerns faced in Ukraine or during the journey to neighboring countries.
- Facilitate the safe and timely transport of supplies through our logistics hub in Debrecen in Hungary.



SUPPORTING FAMILIES SEPARATED BY THE INTERNATIONAL ARMED CONFLICT BETWEEN RUSSIA AND UKRAINE

- Conducted 13 training sessions with the Red Cross Societies in the region on the Protection of Family Links (PFL) service which helps reconnect separated families. This is done to support the ICRC's Central Tracing Agency to address the needs of the separated, the missing and their families in relation to the armed conflict.



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TRAINING SESSIONS
ON THE PROTECTION OF
FAMILY LINKS SERVICE

- Supported the Red Cross Societies of Hungary, Poland, Romania and Slovakia with the collection and management of 149 cases of people that may have gone missing.
- Jointly held, together with the Red Cross Societies, 90 outreach meetings with stakeholders in the four countries covered by the regional delegation to raise awareness about the Red Cross and Red Crescent PFL services in the region.



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CASES
OF MISSING PEOPLE COLLECTED



WORKING WITH THE NATIONAL RED CROSS SOCIETIES

- Signed Operational Cooperation Agreements with the four Red Cross Societies covered by the regional delegation. These agreements outline the partnership between the ICRC and Red Cross Societies and help to enhance our emergency-response capabilities and meet the humanitarian needs.
- Together with the Romanian Red Cross, we held two workshops to promote the respect and protection of the Red Cross, Red Crescent and Red Crystal Emblems. One workshop was held with Parliamentarians and the second workshop with members of the media based in Bucharest. The Emblems offer protection to those affected by conflict and to those assisting them.
- Financial support given to the Red Cross Societies, increasing their ability to meet the humanitarian needs of more people.
- Donated seven vehicles to assist the Red Cross in the transportation of vulnerable people and emergency supplies.



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VEHICLES

DONATED TO ASSIST THE NATIONAL
RED CROSS HUMANITARIAN RESPONSE











- Provided logistics warehouse space to the Red Cross Societies to store emergency supplies.
- Hosted five sessions on the Safer Access Framework (SAF). These SAF sessions provide staff and volunteers of the Red Cross Societies with the tools to respond safely and effectively in times of crisis.

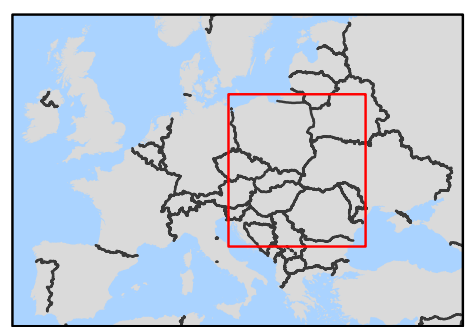




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MISSION

The International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC) is an impartial, neutral and independent organization whose exclusively humanitarian mission is to protect the lives and dignity of victims of armed conflict and other situations of violence and to provide them with assistance. The ICRC also endeavours to prevent suffering by promoting and strengthening humanitarian law and universal humanitarian principles. Established in 1863, the ICRC is at the origin of the Geneva Conventions and the International Red Cross and Red Crescent Movement. It directs and coordinates the international activities conducted by the Movement in armed conflicts and other situations of violence.

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