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**Use of two-way wireless telecommunications by the International Red Cross
and Red Crescent Movement**

The World Radiocommunication Conference, (Istanbul, 2000),

considering

- a) that the worldwide humanitarian operations carried out by the International Red Cross and Red Crescent Movement - composed of the International Committee of the Red Cross, the International Federation of Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies and national Red Cross and Red Crescent societies - are of great importance and often indispensable;
- b) that in such circumstances normal communication facilities are frequently overloaded, damaged, completely interrupted or not available;
- c) that it is necessary to facilitate by all possible measures the reliable intervention of these national and international organizations;
- d) that rapid and independent contact is essential to the intervention of these organizations;
- e) that for the efficient and safe conduct of their humanitarian operations, these organizations rely heavily on two-way wireless telecommunication facilities, and particularly on an extensive HF and VHF radio network,

resolves to urge administrations

- 1 to take account of the possible needs of the International Red Cross and Red Crescent Movement for two-way wireless telecommunication means when normal communication facilities are interrupted or not available;
- 2 to assign to these organizations the minimum number of necessary working frequencies in accordance with the Radio Regulations;
- 3 to take all practicable steps to protect such communications from harmful interference.