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COMMUNICATION FROM THE ETHIOPIAN DELEGATION TRANSMITTING
A MEMORANDUM ADDRESSED ON MARCH 2nd, 1936, BY THE ETHIOPIAN
NATIONAL RED CROSS SOCIETY TO THE INTERNATIONAL RED CROSS
COMMITTEE.

(Translation)

Geneva, April 10th, 1936.

To the Secretary-General.

I would ask Your Excellency to be good enough to
communicate to all the Members of the League of Nations the
memorandum dated March 2nd, 1936, addressed by the Ethiopian
National Red Cross Society to the International Red Cross
Committee, Geneva, a copy of which I have to-day sent to the
League of Nations Secretariat.

I have the honour, etc.

(Signed) WOLDE MARIAM,

Minister of Ethiopia.

MEMORANDUM

(Translation)

M. Max Huber,
President of the International Red Cross Committee,
Geneva,

Addis Ababa, March 2nd, 1936.

Sir,

We have the honour to acknowledge receipt of your
circular No.323 of January 23rd, 1936, to the Central Committees
of the National Red Cross Societies containing the letter sent
by you on January 7th, 1936, to His Excellency M. Benito Musso-
lini, Head of the Italian Government, together with his reply
of January 16th, and two letters annexed thereto from the Pre-
sident of the Italian Red Cross, dated January 11th and 16th.

After a thorough study of these various documents, we
beg to submit herewith a few comments on them and would ask you, as
a reciprocal service, kindly to communicate them to the National
Red Cross Societies. The Ethiopian Red Cross appeals to the
impartiality and neutrality of the International Red Cross Com-
mittee and the sister Societies and asks them to judge who has
violated the conventions - the Ethiopian Government or the Govern-
ment which has just accused it of disloyalty to the lofty prin-
ciples which it should be the sacred duty of us all to respect.

In your letter of January 7th, 1936, following
upon the bombing at Dessie and Malka Didaka of Red Cross units,
after asking the Head of the Italian Government to cause
the necessary arrangements to be made to prevent the

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