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الاتحاد الدولي لجمعيات الصليب الأحمر والهلال الأحمر

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Italian Red Cross  
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Dear President Rocca,

We are writing to extend our deepest condolences to the Italian people on the tragic earthquakes that have again affected central Italy, and the resulting avalanche in the Abruzzo region.

Once again, the Italian Red Cross immediately and effectively responded to the call for assistance. We wish to express our appreciation and admiration for the efforts of the Italian Red Cross in mobilizing volunteers, specialized medical teams and ambulances to provide care and treatment to those injured, even in such difficult weather conditions. Your team's dedication continues to be an example to us all.

Finally, we were devastated to learn that one of your volunteers, Gabriele D'Angelo, was among those killed at hotel Rigopiano. Please extend our condolences to his family and to your volunteers and staff.

Please know that your Federation stands ready to offer whatever support you may require.

Yours sincerely,



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