

Holding Innocent People: Has The Red Cross Crossed The Line?

Resource Sheet

What are the humanitarian principles that humanitarian aid organizations are required to abide by? Are they fulfilling their obligations towards the hostages from October 7th according to their own statutes?

According to the EU Humanitarian Principles:

Humanity ▶ means that human suffering must be addressed wherever it is found, with particular attention to the most vulnerable.

Neutrality ▶ means that humanitarian aid must not favor any side in an armed conflict or other dispute.

Impartiality ▶ means that humanitarian aid must be provided solely on the basis of need, without discrimination.

Independence ▶ means the autonomy of humanitarian objectives from political, economic, military or other objectives.

Additional Resources on Humanitarian Aid:

- [European Union Guidelines Governing European Civil Protection and Humanitarian Aid Operations](#)
- [UN Resolution: A/RES/46/182](#)
- [UN Resolution: A/RES/58/114](#)
- [European Consensus on Humanitarian Aid](#)
- [International Humanitarian Law](#)
- [Statutes of the International Red Cross and Red Crescent Movement](#)
- [International Federation of the Red Cross Council of Delegations 2005](#)

Information about the American Red Cross:

- [National Headquarters of the American Red Cross, Washington, DC](#)
- [Local Chapter of the American Red Cross](#)

The Red Cross in Connection with the October 7th Hostage Crisis:

- [Red Cross Violates Mission of Impartial Humanitarian Assistance](#)
- [Israeli Hostages Sue Red Cross for 'Abandoning' Jews](#)
- [Family of released hostage decry Red Cross for failure of duty - Israel News - The Jerusalem Post](#)
- [The Red Cross Asked to Visit the Israeli Hostages and Collect Letters From Them. It Has Yet to Happen - Israel News](#)

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[Analysis of non-governmental organizations \(NGOs\), funders, primarily in the context of the Arab-Israeli conflict](#)