

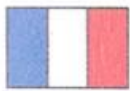
## The International Commission for the International Tracing Service (IC/ITS) and the International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC)

The ruling body consists of government representatives of the ten member countries



Belgium

Italy



France

Luxemburg



Federal Republic of Germany

Netherlands



Greece

United Kingdom



Israel

United States  
of America



Its task is to set up the guidelines for the operations of the ITS in consultation with the ICRC and to control that they are carefully observed. Thus, it guarantees the continuation of the work in the interest of the former persecutees.



Usually, a meeting takes place once a year. The chairmanship of these is assumed by the representatives of the member countries alternately in English alphabetical order.



In addition to the governments of the member countries, the ICRC in Geneva and the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR) also send representatives.

On the occasion of these meetings, the director of the ITS submits

- the Annual Report and the Statement of Income and Expenditure for the past year
- as well as
- the Budget Estimate for the following year

to be approved.

Furthermore, the director passes the last year in review and informs those present about specific activities or events. Current problems are discussed and necessary steps are decided on. Minutes are set up about all decisions made and are transmitted to each government represented in the Commission as well as to the ICRC and to the UNHCR.