

RED CROSS HELPS GOSFORD HOSPITAL

Soviet action slated



THE Member for Robertson, Mr Barry Cohen, has condemned "in the strongest possible terms" the blatant military aggression by the USSR against the neighboring State of Afghanistan.

Mr Cohen in a Press statement said:

"The barbarous behaviour of the Soviet Union serves to remind us of their previous outrageous behavior against Hungary and Czechoslovakia and the need for free societies to be vigilant against aggression.

"It is difficult as yet to know what the appropriate response should be.

"It is important that particular sections of the Australian community should not be asked to make sacrifices while the rest do not.

"Any bans, embargoes, etc should be borne by the whole community and shared equally.

"It is imperative that the Soviet Union understand that the rest of the world will not tolerate blatant aggression by one country against another.

"It was good to see that the United Nations Assembly voted 104-18 against the Soviet invasion of Afghanistan."

THE Australian Red Cross Society has donated \$7750 to Gosford District Hospital.

The donation will finance an automatic sample changer which automates the process of screening donated blood for hepatitis.

About 800 screenings are carried out each month and in the past

these have had to be done manually.

The money will also be used to finance an automatic Coombs Cell washer which washes the cells of donated blood to remove any irregularities.

PHOTO: President of the Gosford branch of the Red Cross, Mrs E. Margin presents the \$7750 cheque to Chief Executive Officer of the Gosford District Hospital, Mr Neville Boyce.

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