

The Embassy of Switzerland presents its compliments to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of ... and has the honour to inform it as follows.

In the Embassy's note of ..., the Swiss Government in its capacity as the depositary of the 1949 Geneva Conventions and the Additional Protocols invited the Government of ... to declare, on or before June 30, 1992, its acceptance or rejection of the amendment to Annex I to Protocol I proposed by technical experts at their special meeting held in Geneva in August 1990 and contained in a report sent by the International Committee of the Red Cross to the ... Government in December 1990 (a copy of the report was also attached to the Embassy's note referred to above).

19 of the 22 High Contracting Parties to Protocol I responding have voted in favor of adopting the amendment as proposed by the technical experts. Sweden rejected the wording of Articles 7 and 8 of the proposed amendment, yet accepted all the other provisions. Jordan accepted the amendment as proposed, but suggested to keep Article 2 (c) in its original version. Hungary, while accepting the amendment, recommended a modification in the wording of Article 5 (4) of the proposal (see the copies of the three notes attached hereto).

As more than two thirds of the High Contracting Parties **responding** (paragraph 3 of Article 98 of Protocol I) have expressed their approval of the amendment, the latter shall be considered accepted at the end of a period of one year following this communication, unless, within that period, a declaration of non-acceptance of the amendment has been communicated to the depositary by not less than one third of **all** the High Contracting Parties (paragraph 4 of Article 98).

Provided the amendment will thus be considered accepted one year from the date of this communication, it shall enter into force **as proposed** by the experts three months thereafter for **all High Contracting Parties** other than those which have made, within said one year period, a declaration of non-acceptance (paragraph 5 of Article 98).

The Swiss Government invites the Governments of Sweden, Jordan and Hungary to communicate to the depositary, within one year from the date of this communication, whether their specific rejections and suggestions respectively are made the subject of a reservation, and, where applicable, the exact wording of such reservation.

The Embassy avails itself ...