

FEDERAL POLITICAL DEPARTMENT

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Notification
to the States Parties to the Geneva Conventions
for the protection of war victims

TRANSMITTANCE OF CERTIFIED TRUE COPIES

The Federal Political Department has the honour to transmit to the Governments of the Parties to the Geneva Conventions, in duplicate, the certified true texts drawn up in the English, Arabic, Spanish, French and Russian* languages of the

Final Act of the Diplomatic Conference on the Reaffirmation and Development of International Humanitarian Law Applicable in Armed Conflicts, signed at Geneva on 10 July 1977,

including, as annex, the following instruments elaborated by the Conference:

Protocol Additional to the Geneva Conventions of 12 August 1949, and relating to the Protection of Victims of International Armed Conflicts (Protocol I) and Annexes I and II

Protocol Additional to the Geneva Conventions of 12 August 1949, and relating to the Protection of Victims of Non-International Armed Conflicts (Protocol II).

The present notification is made in application of Articles 102 of Protocol I and 28 of Protocol II.

The Protocols I and II will be open for signature by the Parties to the Conventions at Berne on 12 December 1977, according to Articles 92 respectively 20 of the said Protocols. They will remain open for signature for a period of twelve months.

Berne, 12 October 1977

Enclosures: 5 certified true copies
in duplicate

* The certified true text of the Final Act, and its annexes, drafted in Chinese language, will be transmitted to the Parties in the course of the month of November.