

FEDERAL DEPARTMENT OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS

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Notification

to the Governments of the States Parties
to the Geneva Conventions of 12 August 1949
for the Protection of War Victims

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

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

adopted in Geneva on 8 June 1977

I

RATIFICATION OF PROTOCOL I

On 1 June 1979, the Republic of Cyprus has deposited
with the Swiss Government the instrument of ratification by this
State of the Protocol I mentioned above.

According to Article 95, Paragraph 2, of the said
Protocol, this one shall enter into force for the Republic of
Cyprus on 1 December 1979, i.e. six months after the deposit of
the instrument of ratification.

II

RATIFICATION OF PROTOCOLS I AND II

The States named hereafter have deposited with the Swiss Government their instruments of ratification of the two aforementioned Protocols:

Republic of Niger	on 8 June 1979
Socialist Federal Republic of Yugoslavia	on 11 June 1979

According to Article 95, Paragraph 2, of Protocol I, and to Article 23, Paragraph 2, of Protocol II, the said Protocols shall enter into force for the Republic of Niger on 8 December 1979 and for the Socialist Federal Republic of Yugoslavia on 11 December 1979, i.e. six months after the deposit of the instruments of ratification.

Furthermore, the instrument of ratification of the Socialist Federal Republic of Yugoslavia includes the following declaration:

"The Socialist Federal Republic of Yugoslavia states hereby that the provisions of the Protocol Additional to the Geneva Conventions of 12 August 1949, and relating to the Protection of Victims of International Armed Conflicts (Protocol I) relating to occupation, shall be applied in keeping with Article 238 of the Constitution of the Socialist Federal Republic of Yugoslavia according to which no one shall have the right to acknowledge or sign an act of capitulation, nor to accept or recognize the occupation of the Socialist Federal Republic of Yugoslavia or of any of its individual parts."

III

ACCESSION TO PROTOCOLS I AND II

On 23 May 1979, the Republic of Botswana has deposited with the Swiss Government the instruments of accession of this State to the Protocols I and II mentioned above.

According to Article 95, Paragraph 2, of Protocol I, and to Article 23, Paragraph 2, of Protocol II, the said Protocols shall enter into force for the Republic of Botswana on 23 November 1979, i.e. six months after the deposit of the instruments of accession.

The present notification is made in application of Article 100 of Protocol I and of Article 26 of Protocol II.

Berne, 25 June 1979