



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**

**Succession of Kiribati
to the four Conventions**

On 5 January 1989, the Republic of Kiribati has deposited with the Swiss Government a declaration of succession to the four Geneva Conventions of 12 August 1949 for the Protection of War Victims, as there are :

- Convention for the Amelioration of the Condition of the Wounded and Sick in Armed Forces in the Field;
- Convention for the Amelioration of the Condition of Wounded, Sick and Shipwrecked Members of Armed Forces at Sea;
- Convention relative to the Treatment of Prisoners of War;
- Convention relative to the Protection of Civilian Persons in Time of War.

According to the international practice, the Republic of Kiribati has become a party to the four said Conventions at the date of its independence, i.e. on 12 July 1979.

The present notification is made by the Swiss Government in its capacity of depositary of the Geneva Conventions.

Berne, 16 March 1989