

## Für Vertragsstaaten von Protokoll I

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 their Additional Protocols informed the Ministry that

1. more than the requisite two thirds of the High Contracting Parties ("High Contracting Parties") to the Additional Protocol I ("Protocol I") **responding** to its invitation to state their acceptance or rejection of the amendments to Annex I to Protocol I proposed by technical experts at their special meeting, held in Geneva in August 1990, had expressed their approval of said amendments; and
2. pursuant to para. 4 of Article 98 of Protocol I, those amendments would thus be considered accepted at the end of a period of one year following the Swiss Government's notification, unless, within that period, a declaration of non-acceptance of the amendments would be communicated to the depositary by not less than one third of **all** the High Contracting Parties.

Furthermore, the Swiss Government invited the Governments of Hungary, Jordan and Sweden, who had submitted to the depositary communications whose nature as reservations, declarations or suggestions regarding certain provisions of Annex I was ambiguous in some cases, to clarify the meaning of those communications. The responses of the three Governments concerned are attached hereto.

As no High Contracting Party has declared its non-acceptance of the amendments within the period of one year following the Swiss Government's notification mentioned above, those amendments are now considered accepted as proposed by the experts (subject to the reservations declared by Jordan and Sweden) and, pursuant to para. 5 of Article 98 of Protocol I, shall **enter into force for all High Contracting Parties on March 1, 1994.**

The Embassy avails itself ...