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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

CONVENTIONS AND ADDITIONAL PROTOCOLS

Succession by Croatia

On 11 May 1992, the Republic of Croatia deposited with the Swiss Federal Council its instrument of succession concerning the four Conventions and the two Additional Protocols, without entering the reservations and making the declaration formulated by the Socialist Federal Republic of Yugoslavia and without entering new reservations.

The instrument contains the following declaration (original version):

"The Republic of Croatia, pursuant to paragraph 2 of Article 90 of Protocol I, recognizes ipso facto and without special agreement, in relation to any other High Contracting Party accepting the same obligation, the competence of the International Fact-Finding Commission to enquire into allegations by such other Party relating to a grave breach or other serious violation of the Geneva Conventions of 1949 or of Protocol I."

According to the international practice, the Republic of Croatia became a party to the Conventions and the Protocols at the date of its independence, i.e. on 8 October 1991.

The present notification is made by the Swiss Federal Council in its capacity of depositary of the Conventions and the Protocols.

Berne, 7 July 1992

