## FEDERAL POLITICAL DEPARTMENT

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## Notification concerning

THE GENEVA CONVENTIONS OF 12 AUGUST 1949 FOR THE PROTECTION OF WAR VICTIMS

## DECLARATION OF ACCESSION BY THE PEOPLE'S DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC OF YEMEN

By declarations dated 10 February 1977, received by the Swiss Government on 25 May 1977, the People's Democratic Republic of Yemen has acceded to the four Geneva Conventions of 12 August 1949 for the Protection of War Victims, namely:

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

The aforementioned instruments of accession include the following declaration:

"The Government of the People's Democratic Republic of Yemen declares that the accession of the People's Democratic Republic of Yemen to these Conventions shall in no way imply recognition of Israel."

According to Articles 61, respectively 60, 140 and 156 of the aforementioned Conventions the accession of the People's Democratic Republic of Yemen will take effect six months after the date on which the declarations of accession have been deposited with the Swiss Government, i.e. on 25 November 1977.

The present notification is addressed to the Governments of the States Parties to the Geneva Conventions in conformity with the Articles mentioned before.

Berne, 27 June 1977