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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

ADDITIONAL PROTOCOL I

Declaration by Israel

On 2 April 1992, the State of Israel deposited with the Swiss Federal Council the following declaration (original version):

"The Ministry of Foreign Affairs presents its compliments to the Embassy of Switzerland and has the honour to refer to the Embassy's Note ... of 22 February 1992 referring, among others, to the Geneva Conventions of 12 August 1949 for the Protection of War Victims and to the declaration with respect to Israel by Qatar concerning the Additional Protocol I.

In the view of the Government of the State of Israel such declaration, which is explicitly of a political character, is incompatible with the purposes and objectives of this Convention and cannot in any way affect whatever obligations are binding upon Qatar under general International Law or under particular Conventions.

The Government of the State of Israel will, in so far as concerns the substance of the matter, adopt towards Qatar an attitude of complete reciprocity."

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

Berne, 7 July 1992
