Notification
to the Governments of the States parties
to the Geneva Conventions of 12 August 1949
for the Protection of War Victims

Accession by Eritrea

On 14 August 2000, the State of Eritrea deposited with the Swiss Federal Council its instrument of accession to the Geneva Conventions of 12 August 1949 for the Protection of War Victims.

According to Articles 62, respectively 61, 141 and 157 of the four Conventions, the situations provided for in Articles 2 and 3 shall give immediate effect to ratifications deposited and accessions notified by the parties to the conflict before or after the beginning of hostilities or occupation.

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

Berne, 4th of September 2000

The list of the States parties is available on http://www.eda.admin.ch, heading 'Swiss Foreign Policy', 'International Treaties'