



FEDERAL DEPARTMENT OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS

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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 I AND II

I. Accession by the Republic of Nauru

On 27 June 2006, the Republic of Nauru deposited with the Swiss Federal Council its instrument of accession to the four Geneva Conventions of 12 August 1949 for the protection of War Victims and to the Additional Protocols I and II of 8 June 1977.

According to their final provisions, the Conventions and the Protocols I and II will enter into force for the Republic of Nauru six months after the deposit of the instrument of accession, i.e. on 27 December 2006.

ADDITIONAL PROTOCOL III

II. Signatures of the Protocol III

The Protocol III was recently signed by the following States:

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| (1) Cyprus | on 19 June 2006 |
| (2) Hungary | on 19 June 2006 |
| (3) New Zealand | on 19 June 2006 |
| (4) Panama | on 19 June 2006 |
| (5) Canada | on 19 June 2006 |
| (6) Latvia | on 20 June 2006 |
| (7) Poland | on 20 June 2006 |
| (8) Romania | on 20 June 2006 |
| (9) Sierra Leone | on 20 June 2006 |
| (10) Ireland | on 20 June 2006 |
| (11) Ukraine | on 23 June 2006 |
| (12) Togo | on 26 June 2006 |
| (13) Nauru | on 27 June 2006 |

The Swiss Federal Council makes the present notification in its capacity as Depositary of the Geneva Conventions and according to articles 15 and 17 of Protocol III.

Berne, 29 June 2006

