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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

I. Declaration by Saint Vincent and the Grenadines

On 4 November 2013, Saint Vincent and the Grenadines deposited with the Swiss Federal Council the following declaration (original English version):

«The Government of Saint Vincent and the Grenadines declares that it recognises 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, as authorized by Article 90 of Protocol I additional to the Geneva Conventions of 1949».

ADDITIONAL PROTOCOL III

II. Ratification by New Zealand

On 23 October 2013, New Zealand deposited with the Swiss Federal Council its instrument of ratification of the Protocol III.

Pursuant to its Article 11, paragraph 2, the Protocol will enter into force for New Zealand six months after the deposit of the instrument, i.e. on 23 April 2014.

III. Ratification by the Republic of Kenya

On 28 October 2013, the Republic of Kenya deposited with the Swiss Federal Council its instrument of ratification of the Protocol III.

Pursuant to its Article 11, paragraph 2, the Protocol will enter into force for the Republic of Kenya six months after the deposit of the instrument, i.e. on 28 April 2014.

The Swiss Federal Council makes the present notification in its capacity as depositary (www.eda.admin.ch/depositary) of the Geneva Conventions and Additional Protocols.

Berne, 28 November 2013

