



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**

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Succession by Namibia to the Conventions

On 22 August 1991, the Republic of Namibia deposited with the Swiss Government a declaration of succession to the four Geneva Conventions, as there are:

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

According to the international practice, the Republic of Namibia has become a party to the four said Conventions at the date of its independence, i.e. on 21 March 1990.

The present notification is made by the Swiss Government in its capacity of depositary of the Conventions.

Berne, 25 October 1991