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Notification

to the Governments of the States Parties to the
Geneva Conventions of August 12, 1949, for the
Protection of War Victims

I

GENEVA CONVENTIONS OF AUGUST 12, 1949

Accession of Vanuatu

By note of October 11, 1982, addressed to the Swiss Government and received on October 27, 1982, the Republic of Vanuatu has deposited its instruments of accession to the four Geneva Conventions of August 12, 1949, for the Protection of War Victims, 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 their final clauses, the Republic of Vanuatu shall become a party to the four said Conventions six months after the date on which the instruments of accession were received by the Depositary, i.e. on April 27, 1983.

II

PROTOCOLS ADDITIONAL TO THE GENEVA CONVENTIONS OF AUGUST 12, 1949, AND RELATING TO THE PROTECTION OF VICTIMS OF INTERNATIONAL ARMED CONFLICTS (PROTOCOL I) AND NON-INTERNATIONAL ARMED CONFLICTS (PROTOCOL II), ADOPTED AT GENEVA ON JUNE 8, 1977

Accession of Saint Lucia

On October 7, 1982, Saint Lucia has deposited with the Swiss Government its instrument of accession to the Protocols I and II mentioned above.

According to Article 95, Paragraph 2, of Protocol I, and to Article 23, Paragraph 2, of Protocol II, the said Protocols shall enter into force for Saint Lucia on April 7, 1983, i.e. six months after the deposit of the instrument of accession.

Accession of Cuba

On November 25, 1982, the Republic of Cuba has deposited with the Swiss Government its instrument of accession to Protocol I alone, mentioned above.

According to Article 95, Paragraph 2, of Protocol I, the said Protocol shall enter into force for the Republic of Cuba on May 25, 1983, i.e. six months after the deposit of the instrument of accession.

The present notification is made by the Swiss Government in its capacity as Depositary of the Geneva Conventions of August 12, 1949, and in application of Article 100 of Protocol I and of Article 26 of Protocol II.

Bern, January 17, 1983
