



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

RATIFICATION OF THE ADDITIONAL
PROTOCOLS I AND II BY ICELAND

On 10 April 1987, the Republic of Iceland has deposited with the Swiss Government an instrument of ratification of the Additional Protocols I and II. The said instrument specified that the ratification was

"subject to a reservation with respect to Article 75, paragraph 4(h), of Protocole I regarding the resumption of cases which have already been tried, the Icelandic law of procedure containing detailed provisions on this matter."

Furthermore, the instrument contained the following declaration to Article 90 of the Additional Protocol I :

"Iceland, in accordance with Article 90 of Additional Protocol I to the Geneva Conventions of 12 August 1949 which was opened for signature at Berne on 12 December 1977, recognizes 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 inquire into allegations by such other Party, as authorized by the aforementioned Article."

According to the final clauses of the two Protocols, the ratification of the Republic of Iceland shall take effect six months later, i.e. on 10 October 1987.

The present notification is made by the Swiss Government in its capacity of Depositary of the two Additional Protocols.

Bern, 10 July 1987