

*IN GENEVA***Accession to the Geneva Conventions**

By a communication dated 20 June 1973, which reached the Swiss Federal Government on the 28th of the same month, the Prime Minister of Swaziland informed the Swiss Federal Council of his country's accession to the four 1949 Geneva Conventions. This accession, which becomes effective on 28 December 1973, brings the number of States Parties to the Geneva Conventions to 135.

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The definitive text of the *draft Additional Protocols to the 1949 Geneva Conventions*, drawn up by the ICRC as a sequel to the two sessions of the Conference of Government Experts on the Reaffirmation and Development of International Humanitarian Law Applicable in Armed Conflicts, in 1971 and 1972, have just come off the press. The text has been drafted in English, French and Spanish and may be obtained at 10 Swiss francs a copy from the ICRC Documents and Dissemination Division, 7, Avenue de la Paix, CH—1211 Geneva.

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