

## **Accession of The Kingdom of Saudi Arabia to Protocol I**

On 21 August 1987 the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia acceded to the Protocol additional to the Geneva Conventions of 12 August 1949 and relating to the protection of victims of international armed conflict (Protocol I) which was adopted in Geneva on 8 June 1977.

The instrument of accession contained a "*reservation in respect of article 5 stipulating 'Appointment of protecting powers and of their substitute'*". (As the original text is in Arabic, an official translation into English was submitted by the Government of the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia).

In accordance with its provisions, Protocol I will come into force for the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia on 21 February 1988.

This accession brings to 69 the number of States party to Protocol I.

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