

RECENT PUBLICATIONS

(1) ICRC

● **Index of International Humanitarian Law**

Not only are the 1949 Geneva Conventions the most universally recognized treaties, they are also remarkable for their detailed provisions protecting the individual in time of conflict. The existence of tools which, in peacetime and in time of war, facilitate the reading, understanding and use of these treaties is essential for all people, civilians or military personnel, who are involved in their implementation.

The new work contains references to the two 1977 Protocols additional to the Geneva Conventions.

Revised and expanded edition of the *Index of the Geneva Conventions for the Protection of War Victims of 12 August 1949*. The Washington College of Law, the American University. Authors: Waldemar Solf, Adjunct Professor/Senior Fellow, Washington College of Law Institute, and J. Ashley Roach, Captain, Judge Advocate General's Corps, U.S. Navy, 284 pp., 16 × 23 cm (in *English*).

● **Frédéric de Mulinen: Handbook on the law of war for armed forces**

The Handbook is modelled on conventional military manuals so that military personnel can easily find what they need according to their situation and their position in the chain of command. Its purpose is twofold, the book serving both as a reference work for national and international courses on the law of war and as a code of conduct within the armed forces.

The Handbook is intended primarily for higher commands with staff at their disposal. It refers to the provisions of treaty law and indicates where full details can be found. It also includes a "Summary for commanders", without any reference to law, and "Rules for behaviour in action", to be used as a guide for training within the company.

The last section (*Summary for commanders and Rules for behaviour in action*) is also available as an off-print (16 pp.).

256 pp., 15.5 × 23 cm, original version in *English*. Versions planned in *French* and *Spanish*.

- **Twenty-fifth International Conference of the Red Cross (Geneva, October 1986)**

This document, better known as the “Blue Book”, contains the speeches and contributions made by all the participants at the last Conference in October 1986 and at the Council of Delegates which preceded it. It also includes the preliminary correspondence, the provisional programme, a list of delegates, the Resolutions adopted by the International Conference and the Council of Delegates and other information.

Among the important decisions taken by the last International Conference were the adoption of new Statutes for the International Red Cross and Red Crescent Movement and the recommendation of measures to reinforce respect for international humanitarian law.

180 pp., 23 × 31 cm, in *English, French and Spanish*.

(2) *ICRC/LEAGUE*

- **Red Cross and Red Crescent—Portrait of an International Movement**

This amply illustrated, 30-page booklet contains everything one needs to know today about the Red Cross and the Red Crescent.

The text, by Françoise Bory, clearly explains the origins of the Red Cross, beginning with Henry Dunant and leading to the First Geneva Convention of August 1864; it then presents the principles, structure and Statutes of the International Red Cross and Red Crescent Movement and describes the activities and respective areas of competence of its components: the National Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies, the ICRC and the League. Particular emphasis is placed on international humanitarian law and the Movement’s contribution to peace.

The booklet is published in *English, French, German, Spanish and Arabic*.

(3) *JOINT COMMISSION OF THE EMPRESS SHÔKEN FUND*

- **The Empress Shôken Fund—75 years of service to humanity**

To mark the 75th anniversary of the creation of the Fund, this small volume, published by the Joint Commission of the Empress Shôken Fund, pays tribute to the memory of its founder, Empress Shôken, and to the Imperial Household, the Government of Japan and the Japanese Red Cross for their substantial financial support. Written by Mr. J.-P. Mau-

noir, a former director of the ICRC, and with a preface by Mr. Aubert, Vice-President of the ICRC and Chairman of the Joint Commission, it relates the history and development of the fund; it also supplies National Societies with useful practical information on how it achieves its objectives and how allocations are made.

20 pp., 21 × 21 cm, in *English, French and Spanish* (photographs, tables and diagrams).

(4) OTHER PUBLICATIONS RECEIVED

- **Le droit international humanitaire — Problèmes actuels et perspectives d'avenir (International humanitarian law—current problems and outlook for the future)**

This is a compilation of the official records of the symposium held on 13 and 14 December 1985 in Clermont-Ferrand (France) by the *Institut français du droit humanitaire et des droits de l'homme* (French Institute of Humanitarian Law and Human Rights).

Les Cahiers du droit public, Centre de Recherches et d'études de droit humanitaire et des droits de l'homme, Université de Clermont-Ferrand (France), 1987, 174 pp. (in *French*).

- **Journal of Peace Research—Special issue on humanitarian law of armed conflict**

This special issue of this review, which is published by the Oslo International Peace Research Institute, is entirely devoted to international humanitarian law and humanitarian work, notably that of the ICRC. Several people from the ICRC, university professors and government experts contributed to this issue, which was edited by Jan Egeland (Henry Dunant Institute), Yves Sandoz and Louise Doswald-Beck (ICRC).

Journal of Peace Research, vol. 24, No. 3, September 1987, Norwegian University Press (in *English*).
