

- **Articles 51, 52 and 57:** *It is the understanding [of the Spanish Government] that the “military advantage” which these articles mention refers to the advantage expected from the attack as a whole and not from isolated parts of it.*
- **Article 52, paragraph 2:** *It is the understanding [of the Spanish Government] that the capture or holding of a specific area of territory constitutes a military objective when all the conditions set out in this paragraph together offer a concrete military advantage taking into account the circumstances at the relevant time” (Original Spanish, ICRC translation).*

In accordance with their provisions, the Protocols will come into force for Spain on 21 October 1989.

This ratification brings to **84** the number of States party to Protocol I and to **74** those party to Protocol II.

The Republic of Peru ratifies the Protocols

On 14 July 1989, the Republic of Peru ratified the Protocols additional to the Geneva Conventions of 12 August 1949 and relating to the protection of victims of international (Protocol I) and non-international (Protocol II) armed conflicts, adopted in Geneva on 8 June 1977.

In accordance with their provisions, the Protocols will come into force for the Republic of Peru on 14 January 1990.

This ratification brings to **85** the number of States party to Protocol I and to **75** those party to Protocol II.