

Western Samoa becomes Party to the Geneva Conventions and to the Protocols

The Swiss Government received from the Independent State of Western Samoa an instrument of succession, without reserve, to the four Geneva Conventions of 1949 and of accession to the two Additional Protocols of 1977. This instrument, dated 1 August 1984, was registered on 23 August 1984.

The four Conventions came into effect for Western Samoa on its independence day, i.e. on 1 January 1962. The two Additional Protocols will enter into force for this State on 23 February 1985, i.e. six months after registration of the instrument of accession.

The Independent State of Western Samoa is the 159th State party to the Geneva Conventions, the 45th State party to Protocol I and the 39th to Protocol II.

Accession of Angola to the Geneva Conventions and to Protocol I

The People's Republic of Angola deposited with the Swiss Government, on 20 September 1984, an instrument of accession to the four Geneva Conventions of 12 August 1949 and to the Additional Protocol I of 8 June 1977.

The Geneva Conventions and the Additional Protocol I will enter into force for the People's Republic of Angola on 20 March 1985.

The People's Republic of Angola thus becomes the 160th State party to the Geneva Conventions and the 46th to Protocol I. The number of States party to Protocol II remains at 39.

The instrument of accession contains a reserve concerning the Third Convention and a declaration relating to Protocol I.

RESERVE

Ao aderir às Convenções de Genebra de 12 de Agosto de 1949, a República Popular de Angola reserva-se o direito de não estender o benefício decorrente do artigo 85º da Convenção relativa ao tratamento dos prisioneiros de guerra, aos