

ACCESSION TO THE PROTOCOLS BY THE REPUBLIC OF CAPE VERDE

The Republic of Cape Verde acceded on 16 March 1995 to the Protocols additional to the Geneva Conventions of 12 August 1949, and relating to the Victims of International Armed Conflicts (Protocol I) and Non-International Armed Conflicts (Protocol II), adopted in Geneva on 8 June 1977.

Pursuant to their provisions, the Protocols will come into force for the Republic of Cape Verde on 16 September 1995.

This accession brings to **137** the number of States party to Protocol I and to **127** those party to Protocol II.

DECLARATION BY THE REPUBLIC OF CAPE VERDE

On 16 March 1995 the Republic of Cape Verde made the following declaration regarding its recognition of the competence of the International Fact-Finding Commission.

In accordance with Article 90, paragraph 2 (a), of Protocol I of 1977 additional to the Geneva Conventions of 1949, the Republic of Cape Verde declares that it recognizes *ipso facto* and without special agreement, in relation to any other High Contracting Party accepting the same obligation, the competence of the International Fact-Finding Commission to enquire into allegations by such other Party.

The Republic of Cape Verde is the **forty-fourth** State to make the declaration regarding the Fact-Finding Commission.
