

# Annex to the Convention of the 27th July, 1929, relative to the Treatment of Prisoners of War.

(Translation)

## Model Draft Agreement concerning the Direct Repatriation or Accommodation in a Neutral Country of Prisoners of War for Reasons of Health.

### I. GUIDING PRINCIPLES FOR DIRECT REPATRIATION OF ACCOMMODATION IN A NEUTRAL COUNTRY

#### (A) Guiding Principles for Direct Repatriation

*The following shall be repatriated direct:—*

1. Sick and wounded whose recovery within one year is not probable according to medical prognosis whose condition requires treatment, and whose intellectual or bodily powers appears to have undergone a considerable diminution.
2. *Incurable* sick and wounded whose intellectual or bodily powers appear to have undergone a considerable diminution.
3. *Convalescent* sick and wounded, whose intellectual or bodily powers appear to have undergone a considerable diminution.

#### (B) Guiding Principles for Accommodation in a Neutral Country

*The following shall be accommodated in a neutral country:—*

1. Sick and wounded whose recovery is presumable within the period of one year, when it appears that such recovery would be more certain and more rapid if the sick and wounded were given the benefit of the resources offered by the neutral country than if their captivity, properly so called, were prolonged.
2. Prisoners of war whose intellectual or physical health appears, according to medical opinion, to be seriously threatened by continuance in captivity, while accommodation in a neutral country would probably diminish that risk.

#### (C) Guiding Principles for the Repatriation of Prisoners in a Neutral Country

Prisoners of war who have been accommodated in a neutral country, and belong to the following categories, shall be repatriated:—

1. Those whose state of health appears to be, or likely to become such that they would fall into the categories of those to be repatriated for reasons of health.
2. Those who are convalescent, whose intellectual or physical powers appear to have undergone a considerable diminution.

### II. SPECIAL PRINCIPLES FOR DIRECT REPATRIATION OR ACCOMMODATION IN A NEUTRAL COUNTRY

#### (A) Special Principles for Repatriation

*The following shall be repatriated:—*

1. All prisoners of war suffering the following effective or functional disabilities as the result of organic injuries: Loss of a limb, paralysis, articular or other disabilities, when the defect is at least the loss of a foot or a hand, or the equivalent of the loss of a foot or a hand.