

(4) Convention relative to the Protection of Civilian Persons in Time of War.

Article 11: "The People's Republic of Albania will not recognize a request by a Detaining Power to a humanitarian organization or to a neutral State to take the place of a Protecting Power, as being in order, unless the Power of which the protected persons are nationals has given its consent."

Article 45: "The People's Republic of Albania considers that in the case of protected persons being transferred to another Power by the Detaining Power, the responsibility for the application of the Convention to such protected persons will continue to rest with the Detaining Power."

ARGENTINA

Mr. SPERONI, First Secretary to the Argentine Legation in Berne, made the following reservation to the four Geneva Conventions:

"The Argentine Government has followed the work of the Conference with interest and the Argentine Delegation has taken part in it with pleasure. The task was a difficult one, but as our President said at the closing meeting, we have succeeded.

„ Argentina, Gentlemen, has always taken a leading place among many other nations on the questions which have formed the subject of our discussions. I shall, therefore, sign the four Conventions in the name of my Government and subject to ratification, with the reservation that Article 3, common to all four Conventions, shall be the only Article, to the exclusion of all others, which shall be applicable in the case of armed conflicts not of an international character. I shall likewise sign the Convention relative to the Protection of Civilian Persons with a reservation in respect of Article 68."

BYELORUSSIAN SOVIET SOCIALIST REPUBLIC

Mr KOUTEINIKOV, Head of the Delegation of the Byelorussian Soviet Socialist Republic:

(1) On signing the Convention for the Amelioration of the Condition of the Wounded and Sick in Armed Forces in the Field, the Government of the Byelorussian Soviet Socialist Republic makes the following reservation: