

The Conference convened by the Swiss Federal Council for the purpose of revising  
the Geneva Convention of July 27th, 1929, for the Relief of the Wounded and Sick  
in Armies in the Field,  
the Xth Hague Convention of October 18th, 1907, for the Adaptation to Maritime  
Warfare of the Principles of the Geneva Convention of July 6th, 1906,  
the Geneva Convention of July 27th, 1929, relative to the Treatment of Prisoners  
of War, and

to establish

a Convention for the Protection of Civilian Persons in Time of War,

deliberated from April 21st to August 12th, 1949, at Geneva, on the basis of the four  
Draft Conventions examined and approved by the XVIIth International Red Cross  
Conference held at Stockholm.

The Conference established the texts of the following Conventions :

- I. GENEVA CONVENTION FOR THE AMELIORATION OF THE CONDITION OF  
THE WOUNDED AND SICK IN ARMED FORCES IN THE FIELD.
- II. GENEVA CONVENTION FOR THE AMELIORATION OF THE CONDITION OF  
WOUNDED, SICK AND SHIPWRECKED MEMBERS OF ARMED FORCES AT SEA.
- III. GENEVA CONVENTION RELATIVE TO THE TREATMENT OF PRISONERS OF WAR.
- IV. GENEVA CONVENTION RELATIVE TO THE PROTECTION OF CIVILIAN PERSONS  
IN TIME OF WAR.

These Conventions, the text of which has been established in the English and  
French languages, are attached to the present Act. The official translation of the same  
Conventions into Russian and Spanish will be made through the good offices of the  
Swiss Federal Council.

The Conference further adopted 11 resolutions which are also attached to the  
present Act:

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned, duly authorized by their respective  
Governments, have signed this present Final Act.

DONE at Geneva, this twelfth day of August, 1949, in the English and French  
languages. The original and the documents accompanying it shall be deposited in the  
Archives of the Swiss Confederation.