



ICRC

New York, 19 August 2008
NYC 08/138 - CBR/RYO

Sir,

We refer to the letter from the United Nations Legal Counsel (LA/COD/2) dated 6 June 2008 regarding the General Assembly Resolution 61/30 of 4 December 2006 entitled "Status of the Protocols Additional to the Geneva Conventions of 1949 and relating to the protection of victims of armed conflicts."

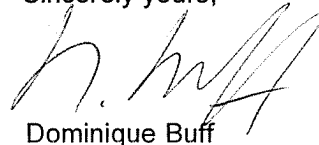
The ICRC wishes to submit the following Addendum to its contribution of 3 June 2008 (08/110 – CBR/DBF) to the Secretary-General's report pursuant to UN General Assembly resolution 61/30 of 18 December 2006.

The ICRC notes that several reports submitted to the Secretary-General pursuant to UN General Assembly resolution 61/30 of 18 December 2006 include references to the third *Protocol additional to the Geneva Conventions of 12 August 1949, and relating to the adoption of an additional distinctive emblem (Protocol III)* of 8 December 2005. The ICRC would like herewith to confirm that Protocol Additional III entered into force on 14 January 2007 and respectfully submits to the Secretary-General the following list of States Parties/Signatories to the Protocol as of 15 August 2008.

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Principal Legal Officer
Codification Division
Office of Legal Affairs
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New York, NY 10017

While thanking you for your consideration, please accept, Sir, the assurance of our high consideration.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'D. Buff', written over the printed name.

Dominique Buff
Head of Delegation

**List of States parties to Additional Protocol III of 8 December 2005
as of 15 August 2008 ⁽¹⁾**

<i>State</i>	<i>Signature</i>	<i>Ratification, accession or succession</i>	<i>Réserves/ Déclaration ⁽²⁾</i>
Afghanistan			
Albania		06 February 2008	
Algeria			
Andorra			
Angola	14 March 2006		
Antigua and Barbuda			
Argentina	13 March 2006		
Armenia			
Australia	08 March 2006		
Austria	08 December 2005		
Azerbaijan			
Bahamas			
Bahrain			
Bangladesh			
Barbados			
Belarus			
Belgium	08 December 2005		
Belize		03 April 2007	
Benin			
Bhutan			
Bolivia	08 December 2005		
Bosnia and Herzegovina	14 March 2006		
Botswana			
Brazil	14 March 2006		
Brunei Darussalam			
Bulgaria	14 March 2006	13 September 2006	
Burkina Faso	07 December 2006		
Burundi	08 December 2005		
Cambodia			
Cameroon			
Canada	19 June 2006	26 November 2007	X
Cape Verde	10 January 2006		
Central African Republic			
Chad			
Chile	08 December 2005		
China			
Colombia	08 December 2005		
Comoros			
Congo	08 December 2005		
Cook Islands			
Costa Rica	08 December 2005	30 June 2008	
Côte d'Ivoire			
Croatia	29 May 2006	13 June 2007	
Cuba			
Cyprus	19 June 2006	27 November 2007	
Czech Republic	12 April 2006	23 May 2007	
Democratic People's Republic of Korea			
Democratic Republic of the Congo			
Denmark	08 December 2005	25 May 2007	
Djibouti			
Dominica			

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Dominican Republic	26 July 2006		
Ecuador	08 December 2005		
Egypt			
El Salvador	08 March 2006	12 September 2007	
Equatorial Guinea			
Eritrea			
Estonia	14 March 2006	28 February 2008	
Ethiopia	13 March 2006		
Fiji		30 July 2008	
Finland	14 March 2006		
France	08 December 2005		
Gabon			
Gambia			
Georgia	28 September 2006	19 March 2007	
Germany	13 March 2006		
Ghana	14 June 2006		
Greece	08 December 2005		
Grenada			
Guatemala	08 December 2005	14 March 2008	
Guinea			
Guinea-Bissau			
Guyana			
Haiti	06 December 2006		
Holy See			
Honduras	13 March 2006	08 December 2006	
Hungary	19 June 2006	15 November 2006	
Iceland	17 May 2006	04 August 2006	
India			
Indonesia			
Iran (Islamic Republic of)			
Iraq			
Ireland	20 June 2006		
Israel	08 December 2005	22 November 2007	X
Italy	08 December 2005		
Jamaica	05 December 2006		
Japan			
Jordan			
Kazakhstan			
Kenya	30 March 2006		
Kiribati			
Kuwait			
Kyrgyzstan			
Lao People's Democratic Republic			
Latvia	20 June 2006	02 April 2007	
Lebanon			
Lesotho			
Liberia			
Libyan Arab Jamahiriya			
Liechtenstein	08 December 2005	24 August 2006	
Lithuania	06 December 2006	28 November 2007	
Luxembourg	08 December 2005		
Madagascar	08 December 2005		
Malawi			
Malaysia			
Maldives			

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Mali			
Malta	08 December 2005		
Marshall Islands			
Mauritania			
Mauritius			
Mexico	16 November 2006	07 July 2008	
Micronesia (Federated States of)			
Moldova	13 September 2006		
Monaco	15 March 2006	12 March 2007	
Mongolia			
Montenegro			
Morocco			
Mozambique			
Myanmar			
Namibia			
Nauru	27 June 2006		
Nepal	14 March 2006		
Netherlands	14 March 2006	13 December 2006	
New Zealand	19 June 2006		
Nicaragua	08 March 2006		
Niger			
Nigeria			
Norway	08 December 2005	13 June 2006	
Oman			
Pakistan			
Palau			
Panama	19 June 2006		
Papua New Guinea			
Paraguay	14 March 2006		
Peru	08 December 2005		
Philippines	13 March 2006	22 August 2006	
Poland	20 June 2006		
Portugal	08 December 2005		
Qatar			
Republic of Korea	02 August 2006		
Romania	20 June 2006		
Russian Federation	07 December 2006		
Rwanda			
Saint Kitts and Nevis			
Saint Lucia			
Saint Vincent and the Grenadines			
Samoa			
San Marino	19 January 2006	22 June 2007	
Sao Tome and Principe			
Saudi Arabia			
Senegal			
Serbia	31 March 2006		
Seychelles			
Sierra Leone	20 June 2006		
Singapore	02 August 2006	07 July 2008	
Slovakia	25 April 2006	30 May 2007	
Slovenia	19 May 2006	10 March 2008	
Solomon Islands			
Somalia			

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South Africa			
Spain	23 December 2005		
Sri Lanka			
Sudan			
Suriname			
Swaziland			
Sweden	30 March 2006		
Switzerland	08 December 2005	14 July 2006	
Syrian Arab Republic			
Tajikistan			
Thailand			
The Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia	18 May 2006		
Timor-Leste	08 December 2005		
Togo	26 June 2006		
Tonga			
Trinidad and Tobago			
Tunisia			
Turkey	07 December 2006		X
Turkmenistan			
Tuvalu			
Uganda			
Ukraine	23 June 2006		
United Arab Emirates			
United Kingdom	08 December 2005		
United Republic of Tanzania	08 December 2005		
United States	08 December 2005	08 March 2007	
Uruguay	13 March 2006		
Uzbekistan			
Vanuatu			
Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of)			
Viet Nam			
Yemen			
Zambia			
Zimbabwe			
<i>Number of States Signatory</i>	55		
<i>Number of States Party</i>		32	

(1) Source: The Swiss Federal Department for Foreign Affairs
http://www.eda.admin.ch/etc/medialib/downloads/edazen/topics/intla/intrea/depch/warvic.Par.0015.File.tmp/mt_080708_05prot3part_f.pdf

(2) Ratification, accession or succession accompanied by a reservation and/or a declaration