

Information received from Andorra

In relation to General Assembly resolution 79/123 of 4 December 2024 entitled “Status of the Protocols Additional to the Geneva Conventions of 1949 and relating to the protection of victims of armed conflicts”, and the circular note verbale LA/COD/2/1 dated 21 January 2025,, the Government of the Principality of Andorra will like to inform the following:

1) Respect for international law, and in particular international humanitarian law (IHL) is one of the cornerstones of the Andorran foreign policy. Through a representative from the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Andorra actively participates in the Global IHL Initiative.

Andorra also provides particular support to the International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC) and its humanitarian work, both at its headquarters and in the field, as evidenced by the successive four -year cooperation agreements concluded with the organization.

2) At the national level, while the international instruments ratified by Andorra form an integral part of the Andorran legal system, it is fortunately that they have never been applied in practice. Nevertheless, discussions are ongoing to ensure that the IHL treaties ratified by Andorra continue to be incorporated into the training programmes of the various public administrations, particularly within the judiciary. Likewise, IHL remains an important component of the awareness-raising and educational activities organized by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs in connection with humanitarian crises and related international developments.