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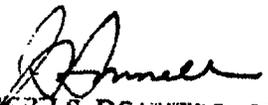
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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DEPUTY ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF DEFENSE
(NEGOTIATIONS POLICY)

Subject: 1977 Protocols Additional to the Geneva Conventions:
Customary International Law Implications

1. Reference your request* for a definitive list of those provisions of Additional Protocol I that are either part of customary international law or should be developed into customary international law; as applicable in conventional armed conflict. The attached list is provided in response to your request.
2. The attachment does not differentiate between those parts of the Protocol that may already be customary international law, and those that could be supported for future incorporation into that law through practice. If legal guidance is needed on whether a particular rule is legally binding on the United States, the issue should be referred to the DOD General Counsel and the legal advisors of the Services.

For the Joint Chiefs of Staff:


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Attachment
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Reference:
*DASD memorandum, 18 February 1986, subject as above.

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