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Communication

**to the States Parties
to the Geneva Conventions of 12 August 1949
for the Protection of War Victims**

**concerning the change of the emblem
and distinctive sign in Bangladesh**

The Federal Department of Foreign Affairs has the honour to inform the Governments of the States Parties to the Geneva Conventions of 12 August 1949 for the Protection of War Victims that the Permanent Mission of Bangladesh to the United Nations in Geneva has brought to the knowledge of the Swiss Government, by note dated 20 December 1988, the decision of the Government of the People's Republic of Bangladesh to use henceforth the red crescent instead of the red cross as the emblem and distinctive sign.

This communication is made at the request of the Government of the People's Republic of Bangladesh.

Berne, 9 January 1989
