

## AGREEMENT ON THE EVACUATION OF THE SEVERELY SICK AND WOUNDED

THE UNDERSIGNED MILITARY COMMANDERS, as representatives of the Parties in conflict,

HAVE AGREED AS FOLLOWS:

1. Parties shall unconditionally apply the principle of freedom of movement to the evacuation of the severely sick and wounded.
2. The severely sick and wounded shall be transported
  - (a) in convoys of medical vehicles; and
  - (b) by medical helicopters.

As a general rule, UNPROFOR will not provide medical vehicles or medical helicopters.

3. UNPROFOR shall provide escort to the convoys of medical vehicles when transiting territory under the control of the adverse Party.

4. Inspection of medical vehicles shall ensure that the vehicles are used only for the transport of the severely sick and wounded. UNPROFOR shall perform such inspections to ensure that the evacuees are severely sick and wounded and that no unauthorized person is embarked and that no cargo or military equipment of any sort is loaded. A representative of the adverse Party will take place in inspection with UNPROFOR representative.

5. (a) Medical helicopters normally shall be subject to three separate inspections:

- i. The first inspection shall take place on the way to the evacuation site. The inspection shall take place at an UNPROFOR location. The location shall be determined by UNPROFOR in consultation with both Parties. At the UNPROFOR location UNPROFOR shall inspect the helicopters to ensure that the helicopters are being used only for transport of the severely sick and wounded. A representative of the adverse Party will take place in inspection with UNPROFOR representative.

- ii. The second inspection shall take place at the landing zone of the evacuation site. This landing zone shall be controlled by UNPROFOR. It shall be determined by UNPROFOR, being as near as possible to the location of the evacuees. UNPROFOR alone shall perform this inspection to ensure that the evacuees are severely sick and wounded and that no unauthorized person is embarked and that no cargo or military equipment of any sort is loaded.

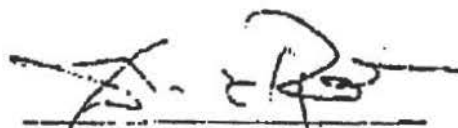
iii. The third inspection shall take place on the way from the evacuation site to the medical facility to which the evacuees are being moved. It shall take place at the same location as the first inspection and shall be performed by UNPROFOR joint with a representative of the adverse Party. At the UNPROFOR location, UNPROFOR shall inspect the helicopters to ensure that the helicopters are being used only for the evacuation of the severely sick and wounded.

(b) In exceptional cases medical helicopters shall be subject to only two inspections. This shall be the case when the landing zone of the evacuation site is a permanent UNPROFOR installation. In such cases the second and final inspection shall be performed at that UNPROFOR location. A representative of the adverse Party will take place in the first and second inspection.

6. In principle, requests for evacuation shall be submitted in writing at least 48 hours in advance. In emergency cases, this period may, at the discretion of UNPROFOR, be reduced to a minimum of 6 hours. Requests shall be submitted to UNPROFOR and, through UNPROFOR, to the adverse Party.


DONE AT Sarajevo Airport on the thirty-first day of August 1993, in the presence of UNPROFOR.

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