The Secretary-General of the United Nations, acting in his capacity as depositary, communicates the following:

The above action was effected on 22 March 2006.

The Protocol will enter into force for Lebanon on 20 June 2006 in accordance with its article 4(2) which reads as follows:

"For any State ratifying or acceding to it after five States have deposited their instruments of ratification or accession, this Protocol shall enter into force on the ninetieth day after the said State has deposited its instrument of ratification or accession."

12 April 2006