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	Resolution 4: Health Care in Danger: Continuing to protect the delivery of health care together
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1	<p>What legislative, regulatory and practical measures have you adopted and implemented domestically to ensure the protection of the wounded and sick, health-care personnel, facilities and medical transport, as well as their identification (including through the distinctive emblems)? What about the measures to ensure the violations of international law related to the protection of health-care delivery are effectively sanctioned? Which ministry, government agency, legislative or regulatory organ has been responsible for implementing these measures? *</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Necessary legislative, regulatory and practical measures are in place. Switzerland continues its dialogue with other States, international organizations and other stake-holders to examine any further measures aimed at strengthening existing measures.
2	<p>Which concrete actions have you conducted to collect and analyze data related to violence against health care? How did you use this information to develop practical measures to address such violence? *</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Switzerland has provided financial support for the establishment of a position in the “Attacks on Health” project of the World Health Organization WHO to support the collection and analysis of data in this field. Switzerland supports the Global Coalition on Safeguarding Health in Conflict, which assembles an array of civil society actors and which conducts important work in regard to advocacy as well as data collection.
3	<p>Which actions have you undertaken to enhance the understanding by health care personnel of their rights and responsibilities resulting from applicable law and to ensure that they can safely fulfil their medical duties in line with their professional codes of ethics?</p> <p>See above.</p>
4	<p>How have you been cooperating across various Ministries of Government, and with other relevant stakeholders, including the Red Cross Red Crescent Societies, health-care professional associations and civil society, in your country to increase the safety of provision of and access to health care? *</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Switzerland promotes regularly the topic of the protection of the medical mission at multilateral level (e.g. General Assembly, Security Council, ECOSOC) as well as in dedicated meetings (e.g. Universal meeting of national IHL commissions, held in Geneva in November/December 2016). Particular attention is given to the issue in the context of the NY-based Group of Friends on Protection of Civilians, chaired by Switzerland. Furthermore, Switzerland alongside Canada established an informal group of States as well as ICRC, WHO and MSF on the topic of implementation of UN Security Council Resolution on Attacks on hospitals (Res 2286). This group aims at nourishing the momentum since the

	<p>adoption of resolution 2286 including through exchange of best practice and information around the topic. In this connection, Switzerland organized a high-level side-event (together with Canada) at the World Health Assembly in May 2017 as well as a side-event (together with Colombia) at the ECOSOC Humanitarian Affairs Segment in June 2017 as well as in June 2018, which reflected the urgency to act and mapped out concrete courses of action for the implementation of resolution 2286.</p>
5	<p>How do you ensure that the protection of the wounded and sick and healthcare services is integrated into training, doctrine and operational orders and procedures for your armed and security forces whether at the national level or in the context of international operations they are contributing to? *</p> <p>See above.</p>