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The Permanent Mission of Ireland to the United Nations presents its compliments to the

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b. Grave breaches of the Geneva Conventions and Additional Protocol I

The Geneva Conventions Act 1962 was adopted to implement the Geneva Conventions in Ireland. The Geneva Conventions (Amendment) Act 1998 amends the 1962 Act to reflect the ratification by Ireland of the two Additional Protocols of 1977. Section 3 of the 1962 Act, as amended, provides that:

“(1) Any person, whatever his or her nationality, who, whether in or outside the State, commits or aids, abets or procures the commission by any other person of a grave

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offence...”

The International Criminal Court Act was enacted in 2006 and makes it an offence in domestic law to commit within the State any act constituting genocide, a crime against humanity or a war crime as defined by the Rome Statute. Under the Act, jurisdiction is asserted over any such act committed within Ireland’s territory or where the alleged perpetrator is an Irish national (Sections 10(1) and 10(2)). S.I. 1004/2006 (S.I. 10/06)

Terrorism:

International Convention for the

Sections 6, 10 and 43 of the Criminal

terrorist bombing [Article 6(4) and Article 8(1)].

Sections 3, 5 and 6 of Extradition

European Convention on the Suppression of Terrorism (European Convention) 4