Persons, whether military or civilian, who are in peril at sea or in other waters as a result of misfortune affecting them or the vessel or aircraft carrying them and who refrain from any act of hostility.

These persons, provided that they continue to refrain from any act of hostility, continue to be considered shipwrecked during their rescue until they acquire another status (wounded[^1], sick[^2], prisoner of war[^3]).

See also Wounded and Sick[^1]; Hospital ships[^4];

### OUTLINE

Chapter 7, II. Respect, protection and care for wounded, sick and shipwrecked[^5]

### LEGAL SOURCE

GCII, 12[^6] (see ICRC updated Commentary[^7]), 21[^8] (see ICRC updated Commentary[^9])

PI, 8/b[^10], 9[^11], 10[^12]
German Invasion of Crete

British Policy Towards German Shipwrecked

Israel, Navy Sinks Dinghy off Lebanon

British Military Court at Hamburg, The Peleus Trial

Gaza: Health situation in the Gaza Strip

Sri Lanka, Naval War against Tamil Tigers
