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INTERNATIONAL COVENANT ON CIVIL AND POLITICAL RIGHTS
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GUATEMALA: NOTIFICATION UNDER ARTICLE 4 (3)

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

The above action was effected on 6 September 2019.

(Translation) (Original: Spanish)

J/1/1603

New York, 5 September 2019

Sir,

I have the honour to transmit to you, in your capacity as depositary of the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights, the notification by the Government of Guatemala in accordance with article 4, paragraph 3, of that Covenant.

On 4 September 2019, through Government Decree No. 1/2019,¹ the President of the Republic of Guatemala, in the Council of Ministers, declared a state of siege in the department of Izabal; in the municipalities of Tactic, Senahú, Tamahú, Tukurú, Panzós, Santa María Cahabón, Santa Catalina la Tinta, Chahal and Fray Bartolomé de las Casas in the department of Alta Verapaz; in the municipalities of Gualán, Río Hondo, Teculután and Usumatlán in the department of Zacapa; in the municipalities of San Agustín Acasaguastlán and San Cristóbal Acasaguastlán in the department of El Progreso; in the municipality of Purulhá in the department of Baja Verapaz; and in the municipality of San Luis in the department of Petén.

The measures have been decreed for a period of thirty (30) days and restrict the applicability of articles 9, 12 and 21 of the aforementioned Covenant with regard to freedom of action and movement, detention and interrogation, and the right of assembly and demonstration. I should be grateful if you would inform the other States parties to the Covenant accordingly.

¹ The text of Government Decree No. 1/2019 is on file with the Secretary-General and is available for consultation.

Accept, Sir, the renewed assurances of my highest consideration.

(Signed) Luis Antonio Lam Padilla
Ambassador
Permanent Representative

12 September 2019

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be the initials 'LAP' or 'LN' with a horizontal line underneath.