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ECUADOR: NOTIFICATION UNDER ARTICLE 4 (3) 1

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

The above action was effected on 24 March 2020.

(Translation) (Original: Spanish)

Note No. 4-2-27/2020

The Permanent Mission of Ecuador to the United Nations presents its compliments to the United Nations Secretariat and has the honour to inform that the Government of the Republic of Ecuador, on the basis of the powers conferred on it under the Constitution of the Republic, has declared by Executive Decree No. 1017, of 16 March 2020, a state of emergency throughout the national territory, "in the light of the confirmed cases of coronavirus and the announcement of a COVID-19 pandemic by the World Health Organization, posing a high risk of contagion for all citizens and affecting the rights to health and to peaceful coexistence in the State, and in order to control the health emergency, thereby ensuring the rights of persons in the face of the imminent presence of the COVID-19 virus in Ecuador". That state of emergency will remain in effect for 60 days following the signature of the Executive Decree.

The Permanent Mission of Ecuador to the United Nations notifies that that Executive Decree No. 1017 has suspended the following rights set out in the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights: article 12, paragraphs 1 and 3 (liberty of movement), article 21 (right of assembly); and article 22, paragraphs 1 and 2 (freedom of association).

In accordance with article 4, paragraph 3, of the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights, the Permanent Mission of Ecuador to the United Nations respectfully requests the Secretariat to inform all States parties to the Covenant of the above-mentioned suspensions.

The Permanent Mission of Ecuador takes this opportunity to convey to the United Nations Secretariat the renewed assurances of its highest consideration.

New York, 18 March 2020

31 March 2020



¹ The text of Executive Decree No.1017 attached to the notification is on file with the Secretary-General and is available for consultation.