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INTERNATIONAL COVENANT ON CIVIL AND POLITICAL RIGHTS
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GUATEMALA: 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 26 March 2020.

(Translation) (Original: Spanish)

DIRDEHU-236-2020
Guatemala City, 25 March 2020

Sir,

I have the honour to write to you, pursuant to article 4, paragraph 3, of the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights, to inform you that on 24 March 2020, by Government Decree No. 7-2020 adopted by the Cabinet, Mr. Alejandro Eduardo Giammattei Falla, President of the Republic of Guatemala, extended the state of public disaster declared throughout the country after the World Health Organization declared the coronavirus epidemic (COVID-19) a public health emergency of international concern and in the light of the National Coronavirus (COVID-19) Prevention, Containment and Response Plan of the Ministry of Public Health and Social Assistance, for an additional period of thirty days.

The measure was adopted to protect the health, welfare and safety of persons, extending the state of public disaster declared through Government Decree No. 5-2020, which is set to expire on 3 April 2020.

The measures restricting the application of articles 12 and 21 of the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights, with regard to right of assembly and liberty of movement, will therefore remain in force.

In view of the foregoing, I should be grateful if you would inform the other States parties to the Covenant accordingly.

Accept, Sir, the assurances of my highest consideration.

(Signed) Pedro Brolo Vila
Minister for Foreign Affairs

6 April 2020



¹ The text of Government Decree No. 7-2020 of the Republic of Guatemala attached to the notification is on file with the Secretary-General and is available for consultation.