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INTERNATIONAL COVENANT ON CIVIL AND POLITICAL RIGHTS
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SENEGAL: 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 6 July 2020.

(Translation) (Original: French)

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New York, 2 July 2020

The Permanent Mission of the Republic of Senegal to the United Nations presents its compliments to the Secretary-General of the United Nations and, with reference to its note verbale No. 0334/REPSN/NY/BM of 1 May 2020, has the honour to inform that, in response to the coronavirus disease (COVID-19) pandemic, the Government of the Republic of Senegal, on 23 March 2020, by Decree No. 2020-830, declared a state of emergency throughout the country for a period of 12 days.

In accordance with Act No. 2020-13 of 2 April 2020, empowering the President of the Republic to adopt, by decree, measures under the Act in order to address the COVID-19 pandemic and authorizing extensions of the state of emergency, the state of emergency measure was extended by Decree No. 2020-925 of 3 April 2020, then by Decree No. 2020-1014 of 3 May 2020 and lastly by Decree No. 2020-1177 of 29 May 2020. Each extension was for 30 days.

The curfew, initially imposed from 8 p.m. to 6 a.m., was reduced first to the hours of 9 p.m. to 5 a.m. and subsequently to the hours of 11 p.m. to 5 a.m.

In accordance with article 4 of the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights, the Permanent Mission of the Republic of Senegal wishes to inform the Secretary-General that, during this period of the state of emergency (23 March 2020–30 June 2020), the Government of the Republic of Senegal exercised its right to derogate from its obligations under articles 12 and 21 of the Covenant, concerning the right to liberty of movement and the right of peaceful assembly, respectively.

The Permanent Mission also wishes to note that, pursuant to article 4, paragraph 2, of Act No. 2020-13, the Government of the Republic of Senegal decided to lift the state of emergency from 30 June 2020.

¹ The texts of the laws and decrees concerning the state of emergency attached to the notification are on file and are available for consultation.

The aforementioned Act and decrees are attached to the present note verbale. The text of the decision on the lifting of the state of emergency will be provided at a later date.

The Permanent Mission of the Republic of Senegal to the United Nations takes this opportunity to convey to the Secretary-General the renewed assurances of its highest consideration.

13 July 2020

A handwritten signature in black ink, consisting of stylized letters 'DN' with a horizontal line underneath.