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INTERNATIONAL COVENANT ON CIVIL AND POLITICAL RIGHTS  
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REPUBLIC OF MOLDOVA: NOTIFICATION UNDER ARTICLE 4 (3)<sup>1</sup>

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

The above action was effected on 2 April 2021.

(Original: English)

No. USA-ONU/330/128/2021

The Permanent Mission of the Republic of Moldova to the United Nations presents its compliments to the Executive Office of the Secretary-General of the United Nations and pursuant to article 4 of the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights wishes to notify that on the 31 March 2021 the Parliament of the Republic of Moldova introduced a state of emergency for 60 days, from 01 April to 30 May 2021, on the entire territory of the Republic of Moldova. The Decision of the Parliament is attached to this Note.

The existing measures already in force or envisaged to be implemented during the mentioned period of state of emergency entail or may entail restrictions to fundamental human rights and freedoms *inter alia* by way of establishing a special regime of entry and exit from the country, a special regime of movement on the territory of the Republic of Moldova, suspending the activity of educational establishments, introducing the quarantine regime, prohibiting public meetings and gatherings and other mass events.

The application of these measures has triggered the necessity for the Republic of Moldova to derogate pursuant to article 4 of the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights from the application of certain provisions of the Covenant, in particular, articles 12 and 21.

Taking into consideration the grave pandemic situation in the Republic of Moldova, the afore-mentioned measures are essential and critical in combating the spread of the COVID-19 and to protect the life and security of the nation.

Pursuant to article 4 (3) of the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights, the Permanent Mission will inform the Secretary-General of the United Nations about the future developments regarding the state of emergency as well as when the above-mentioned measures and derogations have ceased to apply, and the provisions of the Covenant are being fully implemented again on the territory of the Republic of Moldova.

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<sup>1</sup> The text of the Decision adopted on 31 March 2021 by the Parliament of the Republic of Moldova, attached to the notification, is on file with the Secretary-General and is available for consultation.

The Permanent Mission of the Republic of Moldova to the United Nations avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the Executive Office of the Secretary-General of the United Nations the assurances of its highest consideration.

New York, 1<sup>st</sup> April 2021

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9 April 2021

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