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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 30 December 2021.

(Translation) (Original: Spanish)

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Guatemala, 29 December 2021

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, at a Cabinet meeting on 20 December 2021, the President of the Republic decided to declare a state of siege in the municipalities of Nahualá and Santa Catarina Ixtahuacán, Department of Sololá, because acts have been committed generating violence and ungovernability and placing at risk the life and liberty and affecting the justice, social development, peace and security of the inhabitants of those municipalities.

In view of this, it was considered necessary to declare a state of siege for a period of 30 days from the date of its publication in the Official Gazette of Central America on 21 December 2021, since there are organized groups of inhabitants, several of them with firearms, carrying out violent acts, as well as attacks against the security forces and road blockades affecting the free movement of the various communities nearby.

To that end, measures have been taken to restrict the application of articles 9, 12 and 21 of the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights, with regard to the right to liberty, liberty of movement and right of assembly.

¹ The text of Government Decree No. 11-2021, attached to the notification, is on file with the Secretary-General and available for consultation.

I should be grateful if you would inform the other States parties to the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights accordingly.

Accept, Sir, the assurances of my highest consideration

(Signed) Pedro **Brolo Vila**
Minister of Foreign Affairs

11 January 2022

A handwritten signature in black ink, consisting of a stylized 'P' followed by 'B' and 'V' with a horizontal line underneath.