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. . . based on the law by the Diet (Sejm) of the Polish People's Republic of 18 December 1982 concerning special legal regulation in the time of suspension of martial law, derogation from Covenant's Articles 9, 12 Paragraphs 1 and 2, Articles 21 and 22 has been terminated as of 31 December 1982.

By terms of the same law as well as a result of earlier successive measures, restrictions in the application of Covenant provisions which are still derogated from, namely Article 14 Paragraph 5 and Article 19 Paragraph 2, have also been considerably reduced.

For instance, with reference to Covenant's Article 14 Paragraph 5, emergency procedures have been lifted in relation to crimes and offenses committed in social conflicts out of political motivations, they have only been retained with regard to crimes most dangerous to State's basic economic interests as well as to life, health and property of its citizens.

The foregoing important decisions as well as earlier measures to ease restrictions in the exercise of civil rights, introduced along with the stabilization of the situation, serve to confirm the consistent implementation of the pledge that the derogations concerned would not be in force a moment longer than required by the supreme national interest and the purpose of their introduction, namely to reverse an exceptionally serious public emergency threatening the life of the nation.

The decisions in question result from the continued process of stabilization in Poland, intensive efforts towards national accord, economic reconstruction and revitalization as well as the consistent implementation of the policy of reforms and social renewal.

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¹ United Nations, *Treaty Series*, vol. 999, p. 171, and annex A in volumes 1007, 1008, 1022, 1026, 1031, 1035, 1037, 1038, 1039, 1057, 1059, 1065, 1066, 1075, 1088, 1092, 1103, 1106, 1120, 1130, 1131, 1132, 1136, 1138, 1141, 1144, 1147, 1150, 1151, 1161, 1181, 1195, 1197, 1199, 1202, 1203, 1205, 1207, 1211, 1213, 1214, 1216, 1218, 1222, 1225, 1249, 1256, 1259, 1261, 1272, 1275, 1276, 1279, 1286, 1289, 1291 and 1295.

² *Ibid.*, vol. 1261, No. A-14668.

³ *Ibid.*, vol. 999, p. 171.