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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 12 June 2017.

(Translation) (Original: Spanish)

New York, 12 June 2017

Sir,

I have the honour to inform you that on 10 May 2017 the Government of Guatemala, through Government Decree No. 2-2017 published on 12 May 2017 in the Official Gazette, declared a state of emergency in the municipalities of Ixchiguán and Tajumulco in the Department of San Marcos for a period of thirty days, as we informed you in note J/1/557 dated 17 May 2017.

The state of emergency was decreed because in those municipalities a number of serious incidents have occurred that threaten the constitutional order, governance and security of the State, affecting individuals and families and endangering the lives, liberty, security, peace and comprehensive development of individuals.

As a result of the above declaration and for as long as it remains in effect, full exercise of the constitutional rights of freedom of action, lawful detention, interrogation of detainees or prisoners, freedom of movement, rights of assembly and demonstration and to bear arms, contained in articles 5, 6, 9, 26, 33 and article 38, second paragraph, of the Political Constitution of the Republic of Guatemala, and also articles 12, 21 and 22 of the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights, are suspended.

In that connection, I am transmitting herewith a copy of Government Decree No. 3-2017,² by which Mr. Jimmy Morales Cabrera, President of the Republic of Guatemala, at a cabinet meeting on

¹ Refer to depositary notification C.N.290.2017.TREATIES-IV.4 of 24 May 2017 (Notification under article 4 (3): Guatemala).

² The text of Government Decree No. 3-2017 is on file with the Secretary-General and is available for consultation.

6 June 2017, extended the state of emergency for a further 30 days, because the conditions that led to the issuance of Government Decree 2-2017 still persist.

In this regard, and based on the provisions of article 4, paragraph 3, of the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights, I request your good offices to communicate to States parties the content of this notification and the attached Government decree.

Accept, Sir, the renewed assurances of my highest consideration.

(Signed) Jorge Skinner-Klée Arenales
Ambassador
Permanent Representative

17 July 2017



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