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ECUADOR: NOTIFICATION UNDER ARTICLE 4 (3)

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

The above action was effected on 30 April 2018.

(Translation) (Original: Spanish)

No. 4-2-81/2018

The Permanent Mission of Ecuador to the United Nations presents its compliments to the United Nations Secretariat and informs it that, with a view to protecting the effective exercise of the rights of the residents in the canton of San Lorenzo, particularly in the localities of Mataje, El Pan and La Cadena, and in the canton of Eloy Alfaro in the province of Esmeraldas against violent activities perpetrated by an organized crime group, the Government of Ecuador, on the basis of the powers conferred upon it by the Constitution of the Republic, has declared a state of emergency in the aforementioned cantons and localities by Executive Decree No. 381,¹ of 27 April 2018, which will remain in effect for 60 days following its signature.

The Permanent Mission of Ecuador to the United Nations has the honour to inform the Secretariat that it considers that the rights set out in the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights that may be restricted by this measure are the following: article 12, paragraph 1 (liberty of movement), article 17, paragraph 1 (inviolability of the home and correspondence), article 21 (right of assembly) and article 22 (freedom of association).

The Permanent Mission of Ecuador to the United Nations, in accordance with article 4, paragraph 3, of the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights, respectfully requests the Secretariat to inform all States parties to the Covenant of this measure.

¹ The text of Executive Decree No. 381 is on file with the Secretary-General and is available for consultation.

The Permanent Mission of Ecuador to the United Nations takes this opportunity to convey to the United Nations Secretariat the renewed assurances of its highest consideration.

New York, 30 April 2018

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