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INTERNATIONAL COVENANT ON CIVIL AND POLITICAL RIGHTS
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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 26 July 2019.

(Translation) (Original: Spanish)

No. 4-2-129/2019

The Permanent Mission of Ecuador to the United Nations presents its compliments to the Secretariat of the Organization and has the honour to report that the Government of the Republic of Ecuador, on the basis of the powers conferred by the Constitution of the Republic, has declared a state of emergency throughout the national social rehabilitation system by means of Executive Decree No. 741¹ of 16 May 2019 in order to meet the urgent needs of the system to safeguard the rights of prisoners as a group requiring priority attention. The state of emergency will remain in effect for 60 days following the signature of this Executive Decree.

The Permanent Mission of Ecuador to the United Nations also has the honour to transmit Executive Decree No. 754, of 27 May 2019, which set out the parameters for the implementation of the above-mentioned state of emergency.

The Permanent Mission of Ecuador to the United Nations further has the honour to inform that the rights set forth in the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights that have been suspended as a result of Executive Decree No. 741 are as follows: article 17 (inviolability of correspondence); article 19 (freedom of information); article 21 (freedom of assembly); and article 22, paragraphs 1 and 2, (freedom of association).

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

¹ The text of Executive Decree No. 741 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, 26 July 2019

30 August 2019

A handwritten signature in black ink, consisting of a large, stylized initial 'A' followed by a period and the letter 'h'.