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## INTERNATIONAL COVENANT ON CIVIL AND POLITICAL RIGHTS NEW YORK, 16 DECEMBER 1966

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. 4-2-124/2019

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 renewed the state of emergency throughout the national social rehabilitation system's detention facilities by means of Executive Decree No. 823<sup>1</sup>, of 15 July 2019, because the circumstances that led to the declaration of serious domestic disorder still remain and require urgent intervention in order to safeguard the rights of prisoners as a group requiring priority attention. The state of emergency will remain in effect for 30 days following the signature of this Executive Decree.

The Permanent Mission of Ecuador to the United Nations has the honour to inform also that the rights set forth in the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights that have been suspended as a result of the issuance of Executive Decree No. 823 are as follows: article 17 (inviolability of correspondence); 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 the Covenant of this suspension.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The text of Executive Decree No. 823 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, 18 July 2019

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30 August 2019

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