INTERNATIONAL COVENANT ON CIVIL AND POLITICAL RIGHTS
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PERU: 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 20 March 2020.

(Translation) (Original: Spanish)

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The Permanent Mission of Peru to the United Nations presents its compliments to the Treaty Section of the Office of Legal Affairs, United Nations Secretariat, and, in accordance with article 4 of the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights, and considering note verbale LA 41 TR/2017/IV-4/Peru/1, dated 1 March 2017, has the honour to inform of the following:

- Supreme Decree No. 044-2020-PCM, issued on 15 March 2020, declared a state of national emergency for a period of fifteen (15) calendar days and provided for mandatory social isolation (quarantine) due to the serious circumstances affecting the life of the nation as a result of the outbreak of COVID-19. Similarly, Supreme Decree No. 045-2020-PCM and Supreme Decree No. 046-2020-PCM, issued on 17 and 18 March, specified the scope of articles 8 and 4, respectively, of Supreme Decree No. 044-2020-PCM.

During the state of national emergency, the rights related to liberty and security of person, inviolability of the home and freedom of assembly and movement in the territory, as referred to in articles 9, 17, 21 and 12 of the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights, are suspended.

- Individuals may move around only to provide and avail themselves of the following services and goods: (a) acquisition, production and supply of food products; (b) acquisition, production and supply of pharmaceuticals and staple goods; (c) attendance at health centres, services and facilities, as well as diagnostic centres, in cases of emergency or immediate care; (d) performance of work, professional or business services to ensure water, sanitation, electricity, gas, fuel, communications, solid waste collection and funeral services in accordance with article 2 of the Supreme Decree; (e) travel to the place of habitual residence; (f) assistance and care for elderly persons, children, adolescents, dependants, persons with disabilities or vulnerable persons; (g) financial, insurance and pension entities, as well as complementary and related services that ensure their proper functioning; (h) production, storage, transport, distribution and sale of fuel; (i) hotels and other facilities providing accommodation, only for the purpose of complying with the quarantine order; (j) the media and telephone call centres; (k) public sector workers who, exceptionally, provide services
necessary to enable activities related to the health emergency caused by COVID-19; (l) as an exception, in the cases of the productive and industrial sectors considered by the Ministry of Economy and Finance; and (m) activities of a similar nature or that must be carried out due to unforeseen circumstances or force majeure.

From 8.00 p.m. to 5.00 a.m., it is required to remain confined at home.

- The decree also provides for the total closure of borders, suspending therefore international passenger transport. Passengers who entered the national territory before 16 March 2020 must observe fifteen (15) calendar days’ quarantine.

- Peruvian citizens returning to the country following exceptional opening of the borders must observe compulsory isolation in accordance with the provisions of the Ministry of Health.

- The National Police of Peru, with the support of the Armed Forces, shall ensure compliance with the Supreme Decree and exercise control with regard to the restriction of the exercise of freedom of movement of persons at the national level and in different means of transport.

- The present state of emergency is necessary to ensure the maintenance of order and to safeguard public health in the light of the serious circumstances affecting the life of the nation as a result of the outbreak of COVID-19.

The Permanent Mission of Peru to the United Nations takes this opportunity to convey to the Treaty Section of the Office of Legal Affairs of the United Nations Secretariat the renewed assurances of its highest consideration.

New York, 19 March 2020

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