LATVIA: 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 16 April 2020.

(Original: English)

“No. UN-N-7839

The Permanent Mission of Latvia to the United Nations presents its compliments to the Secretary-General of the United Nations and pursuant to Article 4 of the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights, informs that the Government of the Republic of Latvia has prolonged the emergency situation in the entire territory of the Republic of Latvia until 12 May 2020.

The Permanent Mission of Latvia to the United Nations recalls that on 16 March 2020 it informed the Secretary-General of the United Nations that on 12 March 2020 the Government of the Republic of Latvia declared an emergency situation in the entire territory of the Republic of Latvia until 14 April 2020, which necessitated a derogation from certain obligations under Articles 12, 17 and 21 of the Covenant. In light of the continuous threat the COVID-19 poses to public health, on 7 April 2020, the Government of the Republic of Latvia prolonged the emergency situation in the entire territory of the Republic of Latvia until 12 May 2020. During this period, the measures imposed by the order No.103 of the Cabinet of Ministers of 12 March 2020 ‘On the Declaration of Emergency Situation’ and consequent derogations, as transmitted to the Secretary-General on 16 March 2020, continue to apply.

Pursuant to Article 4, paragraph 3, of the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights, the Permanent Mission of Latvia to the United Nations will inform the Secretary-General of the United Nations about future developments with regard to the emergency situation and notify him when these emergency measures have ceased to operate and the provisions of the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights are fully implemented again.

The Permanent Mission of Latvia to the United Nations avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the Secretary-General of the United Nations the assurances of its highest considerations.

New York, 15 April 2020”

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