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INTERNATIONAL COVENANT ON CIVIL AND POLITICAL RIGHTS  
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GUATEMALA: 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 29 May 2020.

(Translation) (Original: Spanish)

J/1/1195

Excellency,

I have the honour to write to you, in your capacity as depositary of the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights, to transmit the notification by the Government of Guatemala in accordance with article 4, paragraph 3, of the said Covenant.

In this regard, I wish to inform you, pursuant to article 4, paragraph 3, of the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights, of the content of the Government Decrees Nos. 5-2020, 6-2020, 7-2020 and 8-2020 of the President of the Republic adopted in the Council of Ministers, and Decrees Nos. 8-2020, 9-2020 and 21-2020 of the Congress of the Republic, approving, amending and extending the state of public disaster throughout the country to monitor and enforce the National Coronavirus (COVID-19) Prevention, Containment and Response Plan in Guatemala and the new coronavirus care and response protocol - epidemiological surveillance of acute respiratory infection by COVID-19, issued by the Ministry of Public Health and Social Assistance.

In this respect and in reference to note verbale J/1/1116 of 17 May 2020, I wish to convey that the presidential regulations in the event of public disaster and measures for strict compliance issued, on 14 May 2020, by the President of the Republic of Guatemala, Dr. Alejandro Eduardo Giammattei Falla, were adopted under the principles of public health and social justice, in accordance with the purpose of the State to serve the common good. These presidential regulations amend the measures restricting the application of articles 12 and 21 of the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights, with regard to right of assembly and liberty of movement, and have come into effect from 5 p.m. on Friday, 22 May to 5 a.m. on Monday, 25 May and from 5 p.m. on Friday, 29 May to 5 a.m. on Monday, 1 June.

In view of the foregoing, I should be grateful if you would inform the other States parties accordingly.

Please, accept, Excellency, the assurances of my highest consideration.

29 May 2020

(Signed) Luis Antonio Lam Padilla  
Ambassador, Permanent Representative

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9 June 2020

A handwritten signature in black ink, consisting of stylized letters that appear to be 'DN' with a horizontal line underneath.