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INTERNATIONAL COVENANT ON CIVIL AND POLITICAL RIGHTS  
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GUATEMALA: NOTIFICATION UNDER ARTICLE 4 (3) <sup>1</sup>

The Secretary-General of the United Nations, acting in his capacity as depositary, communicates the following:

The above action was effected on 3 August 2020.

(Translation) (Original: Spanish)

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Guatemala City, 29 July 2020

Sir,

I have the honour to write to you, pursuant to article 4, paragraph 3, of the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights, to inform you in accordance with Government Decrees Nos. 5-2020, 6-2020, 7-2020, 8-2020, 9-2020 and 12-2020 of the President of the Republic adopted in the Council of Ministers, and Decrees Nos. 8-2020, 9-2020, 21-2020 and 22-2020 of the Congress of the Republic, declaring, approving and extending the state of public disaster throughout the national territory to enforce the National Coronavirus (COVID-19) Prevention, Containment and Response Plan in Guatemala of the Ministry of Public Health and Social Assistance.

In this regard, I wish to convey that the President of the Republic of Guatemala, Dr. Alejandro Eduardo Giammattei Falla, decided in the Council of Ministers, by Government Decree 15-2020 of 26 July 2020, to extend the state of public disaster for thirty additional days insofar as the spread of COVID-19 and its consequences are increasing, the risks to the life and health of individuals are increasing and the State must continue to adopt the health and economic measures required to avoid serious consequences for the inhabitants of the Republic of Guatemala. The presidential regulations in case of public disaster and measures for strict compliance, issued on 26 July 2020, are attached to this letter.

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<sup>1</sup> The texts of Government Decree 15-2020 of 26 July 2020 and of the presidential regulations in case of public disaster and measures for strict compliance, issued on 26 July 2020, are on file with the Secretary-General and are available for consultation.

In this respect, I reiterate that the measures adopted restrict 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 will enter into force on 2 August 2020.

In view of the foregoing, I should be grateful if you would inform the other States parties to the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights accordingly.

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

(Signed) Pedro Brolo Vila  
Minister for Foreign Affairs

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5 August 2020

A handwritten signature in black ink, consisting of a stylized 'P' followed by 'B' and 'V' with a horizontal line underneath.