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ECUADOR: 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 23 December 2020.

(Translation) (Original: Spanish)

Note No. 4-2-136/2020

The Permanent Mission of Ecuador to the United Nations presents its compliments to the Secretariat and wishes to inform it that the Government of the Republic of Ecuador, based on the powers conferred by the Constitution of the Republic, issued Executive Decree No. 1217 on 21 December 2020, declaring a 30-day state of emergency "owing to the nationwide public disaster resulting from the sharp uptick in the number of cases of the coronavirus disease pandemic (COVID-19) attributable to gatherings and exposure to a more deadly mutation of the virus imported from the United Kingdom, in order to contain the spread of the virus and its negative consequences on public health".

The Permanent Mission of Ecuador wishes to inform the Secretariat that the following rights set out in the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights have been suspended through Executive Decree No. 1052: liberty of movement (article 12, paragraphs 1 and 3), freedom of assembly (article 21); and freedom of association (article 22, paragraphs 1 and 2).

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 the States parties to the Covenant accordingly.

¹ The text of Executive Decree No. 1217 of 21 December 2020 of the Republic of Ecuador attached to the notification is on file with the Secretary-General and is available for consultation.

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The Permanent Mission of Ecuador takes this opportunity to convey to the United Nations Secretariat the renewed assurances of its highest consideration.

New York, 23 December 2020

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