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

The above action was effected on 31 December 2020.

(Original: English)

“No. 19/34515

The Permanent Mission of Georgia 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 has the honor to inform that the emergency legislation already notified by previous Note N19/18571 dated 15 July 2020 has been extended until 1 July 2021.

In particular, since the global and the local threat of COVID-19 still remains significant, on 29 December 2020, the Parliament of Georgia adopted and the President of Georgia approved the prolongation of the special emergency legislation until 1 July 2021.

For these reasons, it is submitted hereby that Georgia retains the already notified derogations from certain obligations under Articles 9, 12, 14, 17 and 21 of the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights until 1 July 2021. As underscored in our previous communications, these derogations apply to the obligations only to the extent strictly required by the exigencies of the persisting situation with the coronavirus.

The Permanent Mission of Georgia to the United Nations attaches to this Note the unofficial translations of the amendments to Law of Georgia on “Public Health” and Criminal Procedure Code of Georgia dated 29 December 2020.  

1 Refer to depositary notification C.N.314.2020.TREATIES-IV.4 of 22 July 2020 (Notification under article 4 (3): Georgia).

2 The unofficial translations of the texts of the amendments to the Law of Georgia on “Public Health” and Criminal Procedure Code of Georgia attached to the notification are on file with the Secretary-General and are available for consultation.
The Permanent Mission of Georgia to the United Nations shall inform the Secretary-General of the United Nations when these measures cease to operate.

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

31 December 2020”

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12 January 2021

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