INTERNATIONAL COVENANT ON CIVIL AND POLITICAL RIGHTS
NEW YORK, 16 DECEMBER 1966

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 6 April 2021.

(Original: English)

“No. UN-N-6947

The Permanent Mission of the Republic 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 emergency situation that was declared on 6 November 2020 and necessitated a derogation from Article 21 of the Covenant, ceased to exist. Consequently, pursuant to Article 4, paragraph 3, of the Covenant, the Government withdraws its derogation from Article 21 of the Covenant.

The Permanent Mission of the Republic of Latvia to the United Nations recalls that on 30 December 2020, it informed the Secretary-General of the United Nations that on 6 November 2020, the Government of the Republic of Latvia declared the emergency situation in the entire territory of the Republic of Latvia, which necessitated a derogation from Article 21 of the Covenant. In the light of the continuous threat the COVID-19 posed to public health, on 5 February 2021, the Government of the Republic of Latvia prolonged the emergency situation in the entire territory of the Republic of Latvia until 6 April 2021.

Considering that the Government has decided not to extend the emergency situation in Latvia, the measures imposed by the order No.655 of the Cabinet of Ministers of 6 November 2020 “On the Declaration of Emergency Situation” which necessitated a derogation from Article 21 of the Covenant, ceased to operate on 6 April 2021. Accordingly, the Government terminates its derogation from Article 21 of the Covenant, and the provisions of the Covenant are being fully implemented.

The Permanent Mission of the Republic 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, 6 April 2021”

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7 April 2021

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¹ Refer to depositary notification C.N.579.2020.TREATIES-IV.4 of 8 January 2021 (Notification under article 4 (3): Latvia).