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PARAGUAY: 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 21 October 2021.

(Translation) (Original: Spanish)

MP/UN/NY/No. 1745/2021

The Permanent Mission of the Republic of Paraguay to the United Nations presents its compliments to the United Nations Secretariat and, in reference to notes MP/UN/NY/No. 1033/2020, MP/UN/NY/No. 1129/2020, MP/UN/NY/No. 1395/2020 and MP/UN/NY/No. 1723/2020, concerning the notification of the measures taken by the Government of Paraguay following the declaration of a public health emergency to address the spread of the coronavirus disease (COVID-19), in accordance with article 4, paragraph 3, of the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights, has the honour to report the following information.

Under the state of public health emergency declared by Decree No. 3456 of 16 March 2020, and taking into consideration the development of the epidemiological situation in the country, President Mario Abdo Benítez, as part of the plan for the gradual lifting of the preventive isolation measures, has ordered specific measures by geographical area, as described below.

Specific measures for the entire country

- 1. Decree No. 4798 of 31 January 2021, extending the legal effect of Decree No. 4705 until 21 February 2021;
- 2. Decree No. 4880 of 21 February 2021, with legal effect from 22 February 2021 to 14 March 2021;
- 3. Decree No. 4989 of 14 March 2021, extending the legal effect of Decree No. 4880 until 17 March 2021;
- 4. Decree No. 5025 of 17 March 2021, with legal effect from 18 March 2021 to 28 March 2021;
- 5. Decree No. 5053 of 24 March 2021, amending the legal effect of Decree No. 5025 to 26 March 2021, and establishing new measures in force until 4 April 2021;
- 6. Decree No. 5071 of 4 April 2021, with legal effect from 5 April 2021 to 12 April 2021;
- 7. Decree No. 5100 of 9 April 2021, extending the legal effect of Decree No. 5071 until 19 April 2021;
- 8. Decree No. 5118 of 16 April 2021, extending the legal effect of Decree No. 5071 until 26 April 2021;

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- 9. Decree No. 5161 of 24 April 2021, with legal effect from 11 to 24 May 2021;
- 10. Decree No. 5322 of 21 May 2021, extending the legal effect of Decree No. 5161 until 7 June 2021;
- 11. Decree No. 5410 of 5 June 2021, extending the legal effect of Decree No. 5161 until 21 June 2021:
- 12. Decree No. 5516 of 18 June 2021, with legal effect from 22 June to 12 July 2021;
- 13. Decree No. 5666 of 12 July 2021, with legal effect from 13 to 26 July 2021;
- 14. Decree No. 5750 of 26 July 2021, with legal effect from 27 July to 9 August 2021;
- 15. Decree No. 5790 of 9 August 2021, with legal effect from 10 to 24 August 2021;
- 16. Decree No. 5885 of 24 August 2021, with legal effect from 25 August to 7 September 2021;
- 17. Decree No. 5940 of 6 September 2021, extending the legal effect of Decree No. 5885 until 28 September 2021;
- 18. Decree No. 6029 of 28 September 2021, extending the period established in article 1 of Decree No. 5885 until 12 October 2021;
- 19. Decree No. 6085 of 12 October 2021, with legal effect from 13 October 2021 to 2 November 2021.

Specific measures, for 57 cities in particular, and for the rest of the country

1. Decree No. 5160 of 24 April 2021, with legal effect from 27 April 2021 to 10 May 2021.

The specific measures contained in the various decrees, copies of which are attached hereto, have been ordered in exercise of the exceptional emergency powers granted to the Government to protect the life and health of the entire population, which are basic public goods under articles 4 and 68 of the Constitution. The measures partially and temporarily place reasonable and proportional restrictions on the enjoyment of the individual rights guaranteed by articles 9, 12 and 21 of the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights, to serve the common interest by addressing the spread of the disease caused by the COVID-19 virus.

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

New York, 21 October 2021

NB. All the decrees are available on the official website of the Ministry of Public Health and Social Welfare (https://www.mspbs.gov.py/decretos-covid19.html).

4 November 2021

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