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

GUATEMALA: 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 24 June 2022.

(Translation) (Original: Spanish)

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Guatemala, 23 June 2022

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 that at a Cabinet meeting held on 21 June 2022, Mr. Alejandro Giammattei Falla, President of the Republic of Guatemala, declared a state of public disaster in the Departments of Guatemala, Jutiapa, Jalapa, Santa Rosa, Chiquimula, El Progreso, Sacatepéquez and Zacapa, owing to the serious impact of the heavy and constant rain across Guatemala in several regions of the country. The state of public disaster will be in effect for a period of 30 days and was announced in the Official Gazette of Central America on 22 June 2022.

In the light of the above and given the paramount importance of the mechanisms to protect the lives, security, integrity and dignity of the population, the Government decided to take timely and necessary measures to mitigate the adverse effects that have resulted in material losses and damage.

Consequently, steps have been taken to restrict the application of articles 9, 12 and 21 of the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights, with regard to the right to liberty, liberty of movement and right of assembly.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The text of Government Decree No. 3-2022, attached to the notification, is on file with the Secretary-General and available for consultation.

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

Accept, Sir, the assurances of my highest consideration.

(Signed) Mario Adolfo Búcaro Flores Minister for Foreign Affairs

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12 July 2022