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

The above action was effected on 11 July 2022.

(Translation) (Original: Spanish)

DIRDEHU-1103-2022

Guatemala, 7 July 2022

Sir,

I have the honour to write to you, in follow-up to note DIRDEHU-985-2022 of 8 June 2022, in which, pursuant to article 4, paragraph 3, of the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights, it was indicated that, at a Cabinet meeting held on 7 June 2022, Mr. Alejandro Eduardo Giammattei Falla, President of the Republic of Guatemala, through Government Decree No. 2-2022, had declared a state of siege in the municipalities of Ixchiguán and Tajumulco, Department of San Marcos, for a period of 30 days. The state of siege had been declared because various armed groups had committed acts of violence against the security forces and the population, jeopardizing the life, liberty, justice, security, peace and comprehensive development and heritage of the inhabitants. To prevent further consequences, all appropriate measures had to be taken, as a matter of urgency, to restore and protect the security and lives of the inhabitants and the authorities of the aforementioned municipalities.

In this regard, I am attaching a copy of Government Decree No. 4-2022, adopted in the Council of Ministers on 6 July 2022, by which Mr. Alejandro Eduardo Giammattei Falla, President of the Republic of Guatemala, extended by thirty days the state of siege declared by Government Decree No. 2-2022, considering that, to date, the causes which led to the declaration of the state of siege in the aforementioned municipalities still persist.

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1 The text of Government Decree No. 4-2022, attached to the notification, is on file with the Secretary-General and available for consultation.
In view of the foregoing, I should be grateful if you would inform the other States parties to the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights accordingly.

Please, accept, Sir, the assurances of my highest consideration.

(Signed) Mario Adolfo Búcaro Flores
Minister for Foreign Affairs

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20 July 2022