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INTERNATIONAL COVENANT ON CIVIL AND POLITICAL RIGHTS
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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 13 October 2022.

(Translation) (Original: Spanish)

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Guatemala, 11 October 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 10 October 2022, Mr. Alejandro Giammattei Falla, President of the Republic of Guatemala, by means of Government Decree No. 5–2022, declared a state of public disaster throughout the Republic of Guatemala, owing to the effects of the rainy season and tropical cyclone Julia, which have caused damage to homes, schools, infrastructure and the country's communication networks. The state of public disaster will be in effect for a period of 30 days and was announced today, 11 October 2022, in the Official Gazette of Central America.

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

To that end, measures 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, the right to liberty of movement and the right of assembly.

¹ The text of Government Decree No. 5-2022, 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) Geovani **Castillo**
Deputy Minister for Foreign Affairs

2 November 2022

A handwritten signature in black ink, consisting of a stylized 'G' followed by 'C' and 'A', with a horizontal line underneath.