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

ECUADOR: 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 3 July 2024.

(Translation) (Original: Spanish)

Note No. 4-2-79/2024

The Permanent Mission of Ecuador to the United Nations presents its compliments to the Office of Legal Affairs, United Nations Secretariat, and has the honour to inform it of the issuance and entry into force of Executive Decree No. 318 of 2 July 2024, the text of which is attached hereto¹, by which the President of the Republic, Daniel Noboa Azín, has declared a state of emergency for 60 days in the Provinces of Guayas, Los Ríos, Manabí, Orellana, Santa Elena and El Oro, and in the Camilo Ponce Enríquez canton of Azuay Province, owing to serious internal unrest and internal armed conflict, the latter being covered in Executive Decree No. 218 of 7 April 2024.

This declaration is based on the factual situation described in the preambular part of Executive Decree No. 318, which highlights the increase in hostilities, the commission of crimes and the intensity of the prolonged presence of organized armed groups in the Provinces of Guayas, Los Ríos, Manabí, Orellana, Santa Elena and El Oro, and in the Camilo Ponce Enríquez canton of Azuay Province.

In accordance with Executive Decree No. 318, the rights temporarily suspended or restricted are:

- Article 3, the right to inviolability of the home.
- Article 4: the right to inviolability of correspondence.
- Article 5: the right to freedom of association and assembly.

Consequently, the rights enshrined in the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights that have been temporarily suspended under Executive Decree No. 318 are those contained in articles 17, 21 and 22 of that instrument.

¹ The text of Executive Decree 318 of 2 July 2024 of the Republic of Ecuador is on file with the Secretary-General and is available for consultation.

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In accordance with the provisions of article 2 of Executive Decree No. 318, the declaration of a state of emergency shall be in effect for 60 days beginning on 2 July 2024.

Pursuant to article 4, paragraph 3, of the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights, the Permanent Mission of Ecuador respectfully requests that the Office of Legal Affairs, United Nations Secretariat, inform the other States parties to the Covenant of the issuance and entry into force of Executive Decree No. 318 and of the rights which have been temporarily suspended.

The Permanent Mission of Ecuador to the United Nations takes this opportunity to convey to the Office of Legal Affairs, United Nations Secretariat, the renewed assurances of its highest consideration.

New York, 3 July 2024

12 July 2024

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