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INTERNATIONAL COVENANT ON CIVIL AND POLITICAL RIGHTS  
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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 6 October 2025.

(Translation) (Original: Spanish)

Note No. 4-2-124/2025

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. 174,<sup>1</sup> dated 4 October 2025, the text of which is annexed hereto, by which the President of the Republic, Daniel Noboa Azín, declared a state of emergency in the Provinces of Pichincha, Cotopaxi, Tungurahua, Chimborazo, Bolívar, Cañar, Azuay, Orellana, Sucumbíos and Pastaza, owing to serious internal unrest.

This declaration is based on the factual situation described in the preambular part of Executive Decree No. 174, which highlights disturbances and acts of violence that have disrupted public order, causing situations that put at risk the safety of citizens and their rights to life, integrity, freedom of movement, work and the exercise of economic and productive activities, as well as the State's obligation to protect strategic sectors.

In accordance with article 3 of Executive Decree 174, freedom of assembly is temporarily suspended in the Provinces of Pichincha, Cotopaxi, Tungurahua, Chimborazo, Bolívar, Cañar, Azuay, Orellana, Sucumbíos and Pastaza. This entails limiting public gatherings designed to disrupt public services, 24 hours a day, and preventing the rights, freedoms and guarantees of other citizens from being violated.

In that regard, the Armed Forces and the National Police are empowered to prevent and break up meetings in public spaces where threats to public safety and the established order or disruptions to public services or strategic sectors have been identified, and to do so strictly for the purposes of the state of emergency and State security, provided that the principles of proportionality, necessity and appropriateness are applied and the other rights protected under the Constitution are fully respected.

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<sup>1</sup> The text of Executive Decree No. 174 of 4 October 2025 of the Republic of Ecuador attached to the notification is on file with the Secretary-General and is available for consultation.

Consequently, the rights enshrined in the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights that have been temporarily suspended under Executive Decree No. 174 are those provided for in article 21 of that treaty.

Pursuant to article 2 of Executive Decree No. 174, the state of emergency shall be in effect for sixty (60) days, starting on 4 October 2025, without prejudice to the possible early termination of the declaration.

In accordance with 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. 174 and of the rights that 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, 6 October 2025

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14 October 2025

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