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NOTE VERBALE

The Secretariat General of the Council of Europe (Treaty Office) presents its compliments to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and has the honour to enclose a copy and a translation of Note verbale No. 03-6937 from the Permanent Representation of Latvia to the Council of Europe, dated 6 April 2021 and transmitted to the Secretary General of the Council of Europe on 6 April 2021, concerning Article 15 of the Convention for the Protection of Human Rights and Fundamental Freedoms (ETS No. 5).

This information is transmitted in pursuance of Resolution (56) 16 of the Committee of Ministers.

The Secretariat General of the Council of Europe (Treaty Office) avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the Ministry the assurances of its highest consideration.



Note to all member States.
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Annex to the Note verbale JJ9210C
dated 7 April 2021
ETS No. 5 – Article 15

**Permanent Representation
of the Republic of Latvia
to the Council of Europe**

Nr. 03-6937

NOTE VERBALE

The Permanent Representation of Latvia to the Council of Europe presents its compliments to the Secretary General of the Council of Europe and pursuant to Article 15 of the Convention for the Protection of Human Rights and Fundamental Freedoms, informs that the emergency situation that was declared on 6 November 2020 and necessitated a derogation from Article 11 of the Convention, ceased to exist. Consequently, pursuant to Article 15, paragraph 3, of the Convention, the Government withdraws its derogation from Article 11 of the Convention.

The Permanent Representation of Latvia to the Council of Europe recalls that on 30 December 2020, it informed the Secretary General of the Council of Europe that on 6 November 2020, the Government of the Republic of Latvia declared the emergency situation in the entire territory of the Republic of Latvia, which necessitated a derogation from Article 11 of the Convention. In the light of the continuous threat the Covid-19 poses to public health, on 5 February 2021, the Government of the Republic of Latvia prolonged the emergency situation in the entire territory of the Republic of Latvia until 6 April 2021. Considering that the Government has decided not to extend the emergency situation in Latvia, the measures imposed by order no. 655 of the Cabinet of Ministers of 6 November 2020 “On the Declaration of Emergency Situation”, which necessitated a derogation from Article 11 of the Convention, cease to operate on 6 April 2021. Accordingly, the Government withdraws its derogation from Article 11 of the Convention, and the provisions of the Convention are implemented in full.

The Permanent Representation of Latvia to the Council of Europe avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the Secretary General of the Council of Europe the assurances of its highest considerations.

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Strasbourg, 6 April 2021

To the Secretary General of the Council of Europe

(*) *Withdrawal of Derogation registered at the Secretariat General on 6 April 2021 – Or. Engl.*