

A STATE OF EMERGENCY

WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW

A GENUINE EMERGENCY

To be **lawful and legitimate** a State of Emergency **MUST MEET ALL 4 OF THE CRITERIA** below:

1

IT MUST BE ACTUAL OR IMMINENT

2

IT MUST INVOLVE THE WHOLE NATION

3

IT MUST ENDANGER THE CONTINUENCE OF
THE LIFE OF SOCIETY

4

IT MUST BE EXCEPTIONAL IN THAT THE
ORDINARY MEASURES OR CONTROLS ARE
UNDOUBTEDLY INADEQUATE



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COVID-19 ILLEGITIMATE EMERGENCY

The **COVID-19** “pandemic” **DID NOT MEET ANY** of the criteria required to declare a **State of Emergency**

The COVID-19 Pandemic did not constitute a legitimate threat to ‘the life of the nation’. Any public health measures instituted, infringing human rights pursuant to such a public health emergency, would be illegitimate in terms of established standards of international human rights.

Actual or
imminent?



Involve
whole
nation?



Continuation
of organised
life in danger
of extinction?



Ordinary
measures
undoubtedly
inadequate?



Do You Know Your Rights?

Certain fundamental human rights can never be suspended under any circumstances, **NOT EVEN DURING A LEGAL & LEGITIMATE STATE OF EMERGENCY**

The right not to
be arbitrarily
deprived of life

The right not to be
subjected to
torture

The right not to be
subjected to cruel,
inhumane or
degrading treatment
or punishment

The right not to be
subjected to
medical or scientific
experimentation
without free &
informed consent

For more information, scan QR code for WCH Legal Brief:
Preventing the Abuse of Public Health Emergencies

