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From: Norwegian delegation
To: Working Party on Frontiers/Mixed Committee
(EU-Iceland/Liechtenstein/Norway/Switzerland)
Subject: Temporary reintroduction of border controls at the Norwegian internal borders in accordance with Articles 23(1) and 25 of Regulation (EC) No 562/2006 establishing a Community Code on the rules governing the movement of persons across borders (Schengen Borders Code)

Delegations will find attached a copy of the letter received by the General Secretariat of the Council on 25 July 2014 regarding temporary reintroduction of border controls by Norway at its internal borders between 24-28 July 2014.



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Reintroduction of border control at Norwegian internal borders

Dear Madam /Sir

The Norwegian intelligence and security services consider based on intelligence and threat assessments, that there is a serious threat to public policy and internal security where unknown subjects/persons on their way to the Norwegian territory have the intention to attack harmfully Norwegian interest, infrastructure and/or persons.

Preventive and reactive operational activities of the Norwegian authorities, particularly by the Police are in place as of Wednesday 23 July 2014.

The Police Directorate (the National Police Headquarters) has in accordance with established national procedure and to allow adequate actions to be implemented, decided to reintroduce border control at the Norwegian internal borders, in accordance with article 25 of the Regulation no 562/2006 of the European Parliament and of the Council establishing a Community Code on the rules governing the movement of persons across the borders (Schengen Borders Code). The measures are necessary in order to prevent persons from travelling to Norway thus preventing harmful attack to public policy and/or internal security.

From Thursday 24 July 2014 until Monday 28 July 2014 border control measures will be carried out at the Norwegian internal borders along the air-, land- and sea borders, as the situation requires in order to impede subjects/persons with deliberately intension to harm public policy and internal security. The scale and intensity of the border control activities during this period will not exceed what is strictly necessary in order to respond the defined threats, and will be flexible in time and location depending on intelligence, threat assessments and any relevant findings. The Norwegian authorities will take the necessary steps to ensure that the border control activities is facilitated in a way to allow smooth processing of travellers. However, travellers may experience border check at any point of the Norwegian internal borders.

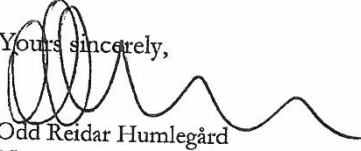
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I would be grateful if you would pass on this information to all states taking part in the Schengen cooperation. I also kindly invite the respective delegations to pass on this information to their relevant national authorities.

Yours sincerely,


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National Police Commissioner
