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NOTE

from : the Republic of Cyprus
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With reference to the above document, the full implementation of the Schengen Acquis by the Republic of Cyprus and specifically the provision regarding the lifting of internal border controls is expected to be achieved after 2009, subject to the evaluation results.

After the lifting of internal border controls (airports and seaports), no need for dismissals of surplus personnel is expected to arise. The personnel currently deployed at what are now the external borders of Cyprus (airports and seaports) will continue being employed for tasks related to compensatory measures against illegal immigration, smuggling of goods, etc., as well as for duties and responsibilities of authorities involved in border control of the Republic of Cyprus (Police and Department of Customs & Excise).