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From: German delegation

To: Visa Working Party / Mixed Committee (EU-Iceland/Norway and Switzerland/Liechtenstein)

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Subject: Exemption from the visa requirement provided for by Article 6 of Regulation (EU) 2018/1806 of 14 November 2018 listing the third countries whose nationals must be in possession of visas when crossing the external borders and those whose nationals are exempt from that requirement

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Pursuant to Articles 6(1)(a) and 12(1) of Regulation (EU) 2018/1806, the German delegation wishes to inform delegations that, with effect from 21 June 2020, Germany requires citizens of the Russian Federation, who are holders of diplomatic passports, to be in possession of visas when entering the Federal Republic of Germany. Such measure shall continue to be in effect until the point in time when the Russian Federation shall have restored the exemption of German holders of diplomatic passports from the visa requirement for short-stay travels to the Russian Federation in accordance with Article 11 of the Agreement between the European Community and the Russian Federation on the facilitation of the issuance of visas to the citizens of the European Union and the Russian Federation of 25 May 2006.

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