



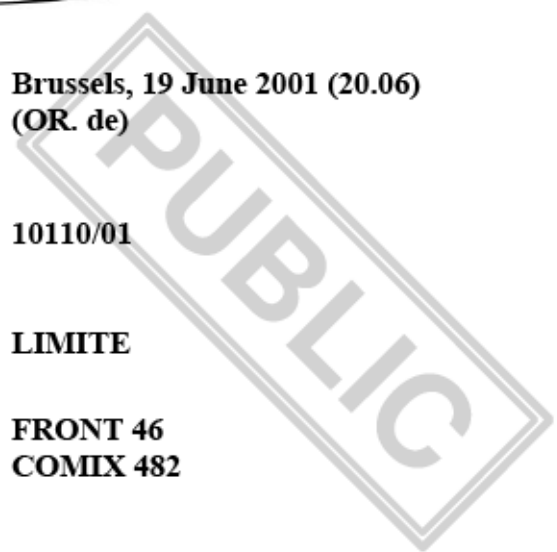
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NOTE

from : General Secretariat
to : Permanent Representatives Committee

Subject : Crossing the internal borders: note from the Austrian delegation on measures adopted under the second sentence of Article 2(2) of the Convention implementing the Schengen Agreement

Delegations will find attached a letter from the Austrian delegation containing the abovementioned note.

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European Economic Summit

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Vienna, 6 June 2001

Sir,

The next meeting of the European Economic Summit will take place in Salzburg from 1 July to 3 July 2001. In the light of the current situation, a threat to public order and to the safety of participants as a result of demonstrations at this event cannot be ruled out.

Austria has therefore decided to reintroduce temporarily border controls at the land borders with Germany and Italy and at Salzburg airport, in accordance with Article 2(2) of the Schengen Convention.

This measure will be limited to the period from 25.6.2001, 00.00 to 3.7.2001, 24.00.

In accordance with the Decision of the Executive Committee of 20 December 1995, SCH/COMIX 20 Rev.2, I should be obliged if you would inform the Schengen partner states of the measure taken by Austria and would ask them to respond for their part to this threat by stepping up controls, so that the threat to public order may be countered as effectively as possible.

In addition, the Federal Ministry of the Interior will inform its neighbouring states Italy and Germany of the measures taken and – as in previous preparations for this event – coordinate with

them as closely as possible the arrangements to be made for preventing any obstructions to traffic as far as possible, despite the start of holiday traffic.

Thank you very much for your support.

(Complimentary close).

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