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From: Norwegian delegation

To: Working Party on Frontiers/Mixed Committee  
(EU-Iceland/Liechtenstein/Norway/Switzerland)

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Subject: Temporary reintroduction of border controls at the Norwegian air border in accordance with Article 25 of Regulation (EU) 2016/399 on a Union Code on the rules of the governing the movement of persons across borders (Schengen Borders Code)

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Delegations will find attached a copy of a letter received by the General Secretariat of the Council on 24 August 2017, concerning the temporary reintroduction of border controls by Norway at its internal air border from 26 August until 25 September 2017.

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**REINTRODUCTION OF BORDER CONTROL AT THE INTERNAL AIR BORDER - BERGEN AIRPORT**

During and on the days before the upcoming UCI Road World Championships in Bergen from the 16th until the 24th of September, 500 000 spectators, 6-7 000 accredited and 1 500 volunteers are expected to arrive in Bergen, mostly via internal air borders in Norway. Events like the aforementioned Championships are known to attract spectators with alternative motivations, hereunder terrorists. Hosting the World Championships in itself poses a serious threat to internal security, and calls for reintroduction of border control at the relevant internal air border. Norway has therefore according to the Schengen Borders Code article 25 decided to reintroduce internal border control at Bergen airport from the 26th of August until the 25th of September 2017.

Controls of individuals will mostly be intelligence based, and are not to be based solely on the passenger belonging to a specific ethnic or religious group. It is up to the local police district to perform the controls according to the specific situation and only to the extent found strictly necessary. There will be an impact on regular traffic, but measures will be taken to make the impact minimal.

We would be grateful if you would pass on this information to all states taking part in the Schengen cooperation.

Yours sincerely,

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