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Delegation will find attached a copy of a letter received by the General Secretariat of the Council on 19 November 2015, concerning the prolongation of the temporary reintroduction of border controls by Sweden at its internal borders until 11 December 2015.

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Dear Secretary-General,

The Swedish government decided on 12 November to temporarily reintroduce border control at the Swedish internal borders between 12 November at 12.00 hours and 21 November 2015. Other measures had, after detailed consideration, been deemed insufficient. Today, the Swedish government has decided to prolong the border control at the internal borders for the period from 22 November to 11 December 2015.

The decision to prolong the border control was made due to the remaining serious threat to public policy and internal security posed by the consequences of the unprecedented migratory pressure and the ensuing significant challenges to the functioning of the Swedish society.

In its most recent situational pictures, the Swedish Civil Contingencies Agency states that the challenges for a range of important services in Swedish society are likely to increase and the situation is likely to deter. The influx of asylum applicants in Sweden remains very high. During the period from 10 November to 16 November, the Swedish Migration Agency registered almost 10 300 asylum applications.

The border control may extend to all internal borders, including land, sea and air borders, whereby the specific border sections and border crossing points are determined by the Swedish Police Authority. For now, the controls will remain focused on the regions mentioned in my letter to you of 12 November. The scope of the control will remain limited to what is strictly necessary to respond to the threat to public policy and internal security and constantly adapted to the relevant circumstances.

The decision to prolong the border control was made in accordance with article 23 and 25 of the Regulation (EC) no 562/2006 of the European Parliament and of the Council establishing a Community Code on the

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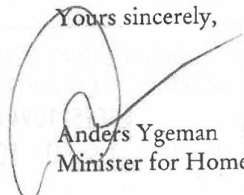
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rules governing the movement of persons across borders (Schengen Borders Code).

I would be grateful for your support for this necessary measure.

Yours sincerely,



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