NOTE

from: Spanish delegation

to: Delegations

Subject: Introduction of border checks on the basis of Article 2(2) of the Schengen Convention

Delegations will find attached the text of a letter received by the General Secretariat on 21 November 2005.
The Ambassador
Permanent Representative of Spain
to the European Union

Brussels, 16 November 2005

Mr Javier SOLANA
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Sir,

Owing to the Barcelona Euro-Mediterranean Summit, which will be held in Barcelona on 26, 27 and 28 November 2005 and which will be attended by the Heads of State or Government and the foreign ministers of the European Union, 10 Heads of State or Government of Arab States and Israel, as well as the Presidents of the Commission and the European Parliament, the State Secretary for Security has decided to apply the provisions of Article 2(2) of the Schengen Convention from 00.00 hours on 25 November 2005 until 00.00 hours on 29 November 2005 in order to carry out checks at the border with France and at the following internal borders:

- Barcelona airport and port;
- Girona airport;
- Tarragona port and Reus airport.

Checks will be carried out at the following border posts:
- Girona: Port Bou, La Junquera, Camprodón and Puigerda;
- Lleida: Les;
- Huesca: Canfranc, Sallent de Gallego and Bielsa;
- Navarre: Dancharinea and Valcarlos;
- Guipúzcoa: Irún.

The checks will be flexible and appropriate to the situation.

I would be grateful if you could inform the Member States and the Commission of this measure.

Yours sincerely,

Carlos Bastarreche