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From: Swedish delegation

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

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

Delegations will find attached a copy of the letter received by the General Secretariat of the Council on 10 November 2025 regarding the prolongation of the temporary reintroduction of border controls by Sweden at the internal borders from 12 November 2025 to 11 May 2026.



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Secretary-General of the Council
Thérèse Blanchet

Dear Madam Secretary-General,

I would hereby like to inform you that the Swedish Government on 30 October took the decision to prolong the reintroduced border control at the Swedish internal border. The decision will enter in to force on 12 November and will be in effect up to, and including, 11 May 2026.

As stated in our notification of 7 October, the serious threat to our public policy and internal security from organised cross-border crime and terrorism is persisting. The Government's decision of a prolongation is based on the gravity of this situation and the operational needs of the authorities. Other measures, such as increased police checks, are not sufficient.

Border checks will continue to be focused mainly to the border areas in the Police Region South and the Öresund bridge connection with Denmark. As before, the Police Authority are responsible for the strategic analysis and operational decisions on the exact scope, frequency, and locations.

As I hope this letter and our notification has made clear, the decision of a prolongation is a last resort, and every effort has been made to try to mitigate the effects on free movement. I remain committed to the goal of returning to a Schengen area without internal border control as soon as the circumstances and situation permits it.

Yours sincerely,

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