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from : Javier CONDE, Ambassador of Spain to the European Union  
date 20 December 2001  
to Charles ELSEN, Director-General DG H (JHA), Council of the European Union  
Subject : Implementation by Spain of Article 2(2) of the Convention implementing the  
Schengen Agreement

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Delegations will find attached the above letter.

The Ambassador  
Permanent Representative of Spain  
to the European Union

Brussels, 19 December 2001

Mr Charles ELSEN  
Director-General DH H (JHA)  
Council of the European Union  
Rue de la Loi, 175  
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Dear Sir,

In view of the fact that high-ranking figures will be travelling to the Arán valley area (LLeida) during the coming Christmas holidays and the ensuing need for special security measures, Spain will, under Article 2(2) of the Schengen Convention, be carrying out checks at the Spanish border in the province of Lleida from 00.00 hours on 20 December 2001 until 24.00 hours on 7 January 2002.

These checks will be flexible and adapted to circumstances in line with information from the competent services.

The Spanish Government hereby notifies the governments of the States party to the Schengen Convention, in accordance with Article 2(2) of the Convention implementing the Schengen Agreement, that those checks are being temporarily reintroduced. Please notify the Member States and the Commission of this fact.

(s.) Javier CONDE

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