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Subject:	Prolongation of the temporary reintroduction of border controls at the French internal borders in accordance with Articles 23 and 24 of Regulation (EC) 562/2006 establishing a Community Code on the rules governing the movement of persons across borders (Schengen Borders Code)

Delegations will find attached a copy of a letter received by the General Secretariat of the Council on 8 February 2016 concerning the prolongation of the temporary reintroduction of border controls by France at its internal borders between 27 February and 27 March 2016.

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PERMANENT REPRESENTATION
OF FRANCE
TO THE EUROPEAN UNION

The Ambassador

Brussels, 2 February 2016

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Dear Sir,

Please find enclosed a note from the French authorities prolonging the reintroduction of controls at internal borders with Belgium, Luxembourg, Germany, the Swiss Confederation, Italy and Spain from 27 February to 27 March.

Yours faithfully,

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NOTE FROM THE FRENCH AUTHORITIES

Subject: Note from the French authorities prolonging the reintroduction of controls at the internal borders with Belgium, Luxembourg, Germany, the Swiss Confederation, Italy and Spain from 27 February to 27 March 2016.

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Encl.: -

Following the terrorist attacks in Paris on 13 November 2015 and the introduction in France of a three-month state of emergency in response to a threat, on 7 December 2015 France notified the European authorities of a reintroduction of border controls from 14 December 2015 to 26 February 2016.

Given that the terrorist threat remains, the French Government has decided to extend the reintroduction of controls at its borders with all neighbouring countries for a period of 30 days, i.e. 27 February to 27 March inclusive, under Articles 23(3) and 23a of the Schengen Borders Code.

I would therefore inform you, in accordance with Article 24 of the Schengen Borders Code, that the controls at France's internal land borders with Belgium, Luxembourg, Germany, the Swiss Confederation, Italy and Spain, as well as at its air and sea borders will be extended from 27 February to 27 March 2016 inclusive.

The controls will be carried out under the same conditions as those that have been in force since 14 December 2015.

The list of border crossing points concerned is that in Annex to the letter dated 7 December 2015.
