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Delegations will find attached a copy of a letter received by the General Secretariat of the Council on 5 February 2021 regarding the prolongation of the temporary reintroduction of border controls by Norway at all internal borders (land, sea and air borders) between 10 February and 11 March 2021.

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Dear Vice-President of the Commission  
Dear Commissioner  
Dear Secretary-General of the Council  
Dear Sir/Madam

Enclosed please find a letter from the Norwegian Ministry of Justice and Public Security dated 5 February 2021 on the reintroduction of temporary controls at the Norwegian internal borders.

We kindly ask delegations to forward it to their respective capitals.

Yours sincerely

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**Reintroduction of temporary controls at the Norwegian internal borders**

In order to combat further spread of the Covid-19 virus infections, Norway reintroduced internal border controls at all international borders (land, sea and air) on the 16<sup>th</sup> of March 2020, pursuant to article 28 of the regulation 2016/399 on the rules governing the movements of persons across borders (Schengen Borders Code). Furthermore, restrictions for travel into Norway for certain groups of Schengen/EEA-citizens were applied.

In my letter of 14<sup>th</sup> of April 2020, I expressed the view of the Norwegian authorities that it would be reasonable to assume that several of the measures adopted to contain and combat the infections would have to be kept in place over time.

The current situation, with new and more contagious strains of the virus has made it necessary to invoke exceptional measures to mitigate the situation. Therefore, I have decided to prolong the temporary border controls at all Norwegian borders (land, sea and air), 30 days from the 10<sup>th</sup> of February 08.00, pursuant to the Schengen Borders Code article 25 paragraph 3 and article 27.

The reintroduction of internal border controls is an exceptional measure of last resort. As such, the carrying out of these controls to limit the further spread of Covid-19 will be limited to what is considered strictly necessary to prevent the threats posed by this pandemic.

From 31<sup>st</sup> of December 2020, Norway has reduced the number of border crossing points on the Norwegian internal border. These limitations will also be in effect for the duration of the internal border controls. The open border crossing points are indicated in the attached list.

Yours sincerely

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<b>Border crossing point</b>	<b>opening hours</b>
Tromsø airport Langenes	on arrival
Helligskogen (Kilpis)	00-24
Bodø airport	on arrival
Bjørnfjell	00-24
Junkerdalen	00-24
Umbukta	00-24
Trondheim airport Værnes	on arrival
Storlien	00-24
Ålesund airport Vigra	on arrival
Bergen airport Flesland	on arrival
Bergen harbour	on arrival
Stavanger airport Sola	on arrival
Haugesund airport Karmøy	on arrival
Risvika harbour	on arrival
Kristiansand airport Kjevik	on arrival
Kristiansand harbour	on arrival
Sandefjord airport Torp	on arrival
Støa	08-21
Magnormoen	00-24
Oslo airport Gardermoen	on arrival
Ørje	00-24
Svinesund	00-24
Oslo harbour	on arrival
Polmak	08-20
Karigasniemi	08-20
Kivilompolo	08-20
Vauldalen	00-24
Sandefjord harbour	on arrival
Langesund harbour	on arrival
Larvik harbour	on arrival
Riksåsen	08-1530
Bjørkebekk	08-1530