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from: French delegation
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Subject: **Reintroduction of checks at the borders between France and Italy in accordance with the procedure laid down in Articles 23, 24 and 25 of Regulation (EC) No 562/2006 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 15 March 2006 establishing a Community Code on the rules governing the movement of persons across borders (Schengen Borders Code)**

Delegations will find attached the translation of a letter received by the General Secretariat on 6 February 2007 regarding the reintroduction of checks at the borders between France and Italy from 12 to 16 February 2007.



PRIME MINISTER



Paris, 1 February 2007

GENERAL SECRETARIAT
FOR EUROPEAN AFFAIRS

The Secretary-General

Sir,

In a previous letter I informed you that the 24th Conference of Heads of State of Africa and France would be taking place in Cannes (Alpes-Maritimes) from 13 to 16 February 2007 and that the French Government had decided to reinstate checks at the internal borders between France and Italy, in accordance with the procedure under Article 24 of the Community Code on the rules governing the movement of persons across borders, because of a risk of serious disturbance of law and order, linked, in this instance, to terrorist action.

I am now able to give you additional information relating to this decision. The reinstatement of checks will run from 20.00 on 12 February until 20.00 on 16 February 2007 at the following crossing posts on the internal land border between France and Italy:

- the Saint-Louis Bridge at Menton;
- the Saint-Ludovic border post at Menton;
- Menton railway station;
- the Turbie motorway tollbooth.

I would be most grateful if you would pass on this information to the members of the Council of the European Union (Justice and Home Affairs) and to the two States on the Mixed Committee which are not members of the European Union.

The French Government has contacted the Italian authorities to enrol their help in implementing this decision.

(Complimentary close).

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