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Subject:	Prolongation of the temporary reintroduction of border controls at the Swedish internal borders in accordance with Article 29(2) 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 a letter received by the General Secretariat of the Council on 15 February 2017, concerning the prolongation of the temporary reintroduction of borders controls by Sweden at its internal borders until 11 May 2017.



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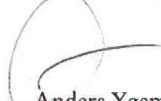
Secretary General for Justice and
Home Affairs
Jeppe Tranholm-Mikkelsen

Dear Secretary General,

On 7 February 2017, the Council of the European Union, based on the proposal of the European Commission, adopted a Council Implementing Decision setting out a Recommendation for temporary internal border control in exceptional circumstances putting the overall functioning of the Schengen area at risk. The Implementing Decision recommends Sweden to maintain proportionate temporary border control for a maximum period of three months, starting from the day of the adoption, at the harbours in Police Regions South and West and at the Öresund bridge.

I am writing to inform you that pursuant to Article 29 (2) of the Schengen Borders Code¹, the Swedish government decided on 9 February to apply the above mentioned Implementing Decision. Hence, border control shall be carried out on this basis from 11 February 2017 until and including 10 May 2017 at selected harbours in Police Regions South and West and at the Öresund bridge. The border control is carried out as a last resort since alternative measures would not achieve the same effect. The control will be limited in scope, frequency, location and time to what is strictly necessary, to respond to the serious threat and to safeguard public policy and internal security.

Yours sincerely,


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Minister for Home Affairs

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