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From: Polish delegation  
To: Working Party on Frontiers/Mixed Committee  
(EU-Iceland/Liechtenstein/Norway/Switzerland)  
Subject: Preventive actions in the context of the Schengen Borders Code aimed at  
reducing the risk of coronavirus spreading

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Delegations will find attached a copy of a letter received by the General Secretariat of the Council on 12 March 2020 regarding preventive actions in the context of the Schengen Borders Code aimed at reducing the risk of coronavirus spreading.

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to the European Union

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**Mr Jeppe TRANHOLM-MIKKELSEN**  
The Secretary-General of the  
Council of the European Union

*Dear Jeppe*

Please be informed that the Polish Government decided to introduce preventive actions aimed at reducing the risk of coronavirus spreading.

Beginning Monday, March 9, 2020 at 3:00 pm, the Polish Border Guard coordinates 5 sanitary control points on the Polish-German and Polish-Czech section of the state border, in cooperation with other services (Police, the State Sanitary Inspectorate, Customs Administration, the State Fire Service and medical services).

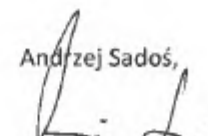
As of Tuesday, March 10, 2020, sanitary services will also appear at other key western and southern border crossing points, and beginning Wednesday, 11 March, 2020, also at all external borders with Russia, Ukraine and Belarus.

Passengers traveling by public/mass transport (coaches and buses) will undergo additional sanitary procedures, including temperature checking. Travelers with symptoms that may indicate a coronavirus infection will be directly transported to the nearest infectious disease hospital. The rest of passengers will be subject to adequate sanitary procedures.

Poland conducts these activities within the scope permitted by the Schengen Borders Code. Poland kindly informs about the possibility of introducing slight changes in traffic organization in proximity of the internal borders in the spirit of good cooperation and transparency.

*with my best regards*

Andrzej Sadoś,

  
Permanent Representative  
of Poland to the EU