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Delegations will find attached a copy of a letter received by the General Secretariat of the Council on 26 March 2020 regarding the prolongation of the temporary reintroduction of border controls by Estonia at the internal borders between 27 March and 15 April 2020.

## ANNEX



REPUBLIC OF ESTONIA MINISTRY OF THE INTERIOR Received on 25. 03. 2020

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Ministers of the Interior EU Member States and Schengen Countries

Prolongation of the temporary reintroduction of border control at the internal borders of Estonia

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Dear colleagues,

Estonia has informed you about the reintroduction of border control effective from 17 March at land, sea and air borders of Estonia.

Since the spread of COVID-19 still poses a significant threat to the health of the Estonian people, Estonia has decided, on the basis of Article 28 (3) of the Regulation (EU) 2016/399, on a Union Code on the rules governing the movement of persons across borders (Schengen Borders Code), to prolong the temporary reintroduction of border control at internal borders for additional 20 days until 15<sup>th</sup> April 2020 23:59.

The list of temporary border crossings points through which it is possible to cross internal borders remains the same as noted in previous notification.

The aim of the measure is to control and prevent the more extensive spread of Coronavirus which poses threat to public health and to ensure public order on the territory of the state.

Sincerely

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