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| From:    | French delegation  |
| To:      | Working Party on Frontiers/Mixed Committee<br>(EU-Iceland/Liechtenstein/Norway/Switzerland)  |
| Subject: | Prolongation of the temporary reintroduction of border controls at the French internal borders in accordance with Articles 25 and 27 of Regulation (EU) 2016/399 on a Union Code on the rules governing the movement of persons across borders (Schengen Borders Code) |

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Delegations will find attached a copy of a letter received by the General Secretariat of the Council on 2 April 2020 regarding the prolongation of the temporary reintroduction of border controls by France at its internal borders between 1 May and 31 October 2020.

Please note that the end date of the controls should be **31 October 2020** and not 30 October 2020 as mentioned in the letter.

Delegations will also find attached a copy of a letter received by the General Secretariat of the Council on 17 April 2020 regarding a list of authorised border crossing points in relation to the prolongation of the temporary reintroduction of border controls.



**PERMANENT REPRESENTATION OF FRANCE  
TO THE EUROPEAN UNION**

**The Permanent Representative**

1 April 2020

No 2020-0167720

Dear Secretary-General,

Please find herewith a note from the French authorities concerning the extension of internal border controls from 1 May to 30 October 2020.

(Complimentary close)

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Paris, 31 March 2020

## **NOTE FROM THE FRENCH AUTHORITIES**

**Subject:** Extension of controls at the internal land borders, from 1 May 2020 to 31 October 2020.

Since the beginning of 2020, the situation as regards the coronavirus pandemic has grown steadily worse in France and throughout Europe. This has led the French authorities to take the necessary measures to combat the spread of the virus, starting on 17 March. Accordingly, among the measures taken at national level and in order to limit movements throughout the country, it was decided that the entire French population would be confined to home until further notice and that non-essential shops would be closed, with specific exceptions.

To supplement these measures, in line with the European Council Conclusions of 17 March 2020 and the Commission Communication of 16 March 2020 on temporary restriction on non-essential travel to the EU, entry into French territory is now strictly limited to persons entitled to freedom of movement and third-country nationals with a legitimate reason to travel (cross-border workers, persons returning to their home or family, healthcare professionals travelling to fight the epidemic, those transporting goods).

France is applying these restrictions, which may result in refusals of entry, as part of the controls at the internal borders prolonged from 1 November 2019 to 30 April 2020 under Articles 25 and 27 of the Schengen Borders Code.

In this connection, France informed the Commission, by a letter dated 23 March 2020, of all the operational measures implemented.

To date and despite these emergency measures, the development of the international health situation, in France and in neighbouring countries, indicates that the risks associated with international movements of persons will persist in the months ahead.

Consequently, the threat to public order and public health in Europe is very great, and all available means should be used to limit the spread of the virus. The controls at the internal borders being carried out by most countries in the Schengen area contribute effectively to achieving this objective. In this context, controls on cross-border movements are essential for preserving public order and public health in our territory.

In parallel, the terrorist threat remains high, as was shown by the attack carried out at the Police Prefecture in Paris on 3 October 2019, and also by the attempted attacks which have been foiled since the beginning of 2020. The vulnerability of States whose security forces are heavily involved in combating the spread of the COVID-19 pandemic is conducive to new terrorist plots.

For this reason, **France wishes to give notice that it is prolonging controls at the internal borders from 1 May 2020 to 30 October 2020**, pursuant to Article 25(1) and Article 27 of the Schengen Borders Code. This decision has been taken following an evaluation of the necessity and proportionality of the controls in relation to the threat to public order, using up-to-date risk assessments.

In this connection, the Minister for the Interior will send a letter to the authorities of the neighbouring Member States, in particular to ensure that their authorities work to strengthen cooperation in carrying out these border controls.

Finally, it should be borne in mind that the French authorities have supported and will continue to support the European Commission's initiatives to guarantee effective protection of European territory in the context of this worldwide crisis. They are thus applying the guidelines laid down by the Commission on 16 March 2020 and the recommendations set out in its Communication of 23 March 2020 for the implementation of the Green Lanes. They are also working in coordination with the authorities of neighbouring countries to implement effective and quick controls.

The reintroduction of internal border controls remains a measure of last resort and the French authorities wish to reaffirm their commitment to the principle of free movement, one of the founding principles of the European Union.



**PERMANENT REPRESENTATION OF FRANCE  
TO THE EUROPEAN UNION**

**The Permanent Representative**

16 April 2020

No 2020-0179408

Dear Secretary-General,

Please find herewith a note from the French authorities listing the authorised crossing points at France's internal borders in the current health context and within the framework of the border controls in place until 31 October, of which notification was sent to you on 1 April 2020.

(Complimentary close)

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95 points de passage autorisé terrestres maintenus ouverts durant la crise sanitaire

Les points de passage autorisé (PPA) indiqués en gras sont considérés comme majeurs (40)

La mention GL (« Green Lane ») devant un PPA correspond à des voies dédiées pour la fluidité des transports routiers de marchandises (29)

Le point de passage de Bâle gare centrale dans le Haut-Rhin est le seul PPA tenu à la fois par la DGDDI et la DCPAF et ne compte qu'une seule fois dans le nombre de PPA ouverts

**I- Frontière Belge ( 16 PPA)**

**DCPAF (13 PPA)**

- **DZPAF Nord (12 PPA) :**

Département du Nord (59) : (12 PPA)

GL -PPA de Rekkem sur l'A 22 à Neuville en Ferrain

GL -PPA de Camphin-Baisieux sur l'A 27

GL -PPA de St-Aybert sur l'A2

GL -PPA de Ghyvelde sur la D601

GL -PPA des Moères du l'A16

-PPA de Stenvorde sur la D 168

-PPA de Halluin sur la RN 17

-PPA de Risquons Tout sur la RN 350 à Neuville en Ferrain

-PPA de Quiévrechain sur la RN 30

-PPA de Bettignies sur le RN 2

-PPA Gare de Lille-Europe (absence de trafic international)

-PPA Gare de Lille-Flandre

- **DZPAF Est (1 PPA) :**

Département de la Meurthe et Moselle (54) : (1 PPA)

GL -PPA de Mont-Saint-Martin autoroute sur la RN 52

**DOUANES (3 PPA)**

Département des Ardennes (08) :

GL - PPA du Gué d'Hossus D 985

GL - PPA La Chapelle

- PPA de Givet

II - Frontière Luxembourg (5 PPA) :

**DCPAF (4 PPA)**

- DZPAF Est (4 PPA) :

Département de la Meurthe et Moselle (54) : (1 PPA)

-PPA de Longlerville sur la RN 18

Département de la Moselle (57) : (3 PPA)

GL - PPA de Zoufftgen sur l'A 31

-PPA de Thionville Gare

-PPA d'Evrange sur la RN 53

**DOUANES (1 PPA)**

Département de la Moselle (57) :

-PPA d'Autun le Tiche D 29

**III - Frontière Allemande ( 19 PPA ) :**

**DCPAF (15 PPA)**

• **DZPAF Est (15 PPA) :**

Département de la Moselle (57) : (5 PPA)

**GL - PPA de Sarrebrück-Autoroute A 320**

- PPA de Forbach Gare (fermeture de fait faute de trafic vers l'Allemagne)
- **PPA de la Brème d'Or sur la RN 3**
- PPA de Grosbliederstroff sur la RN 61
- PPA de Sarreguemines-gare (fermeture de fait -fermeture par les autorités allemandes)

Département du Bas Rhin (67) : (7 PPA)

**GL - PPA de Lauterbourg sur l'A35**

**GL - PPA de Strasbourg-Pont-de-L'Europe sur la RN 4**

- PPA Strasbourg Gare
- PPA de Roppenheim-Iffezheim sur la D 4
- PPA de Gumbsheim-Rheinau sur la D 2
- GL - PPA du Pont-Pflimling-Altenheim sur la N 353**
- PPA de Lauterbourg/Neulauterburg sur la D 468

Département du Haut Rhin (68) : (3 PPA)

- **PPA d'Ottmarsheim sur l'A 36**
- PPA de Vogelgrun Pont de Brisach (anciennement PPA de Neuf Brisach sur RN 415)
- PPA de Village-Neuf Pont du Palmrain (anciennement PPA de Huningue Pont-Palmrin)

**DOUANES (4 PPA)**



Département de la Moselle (57) : (3 PPA)

GL -PPA de Apach RD 153

-PPA de Petite Rousselle D 31(fermé de 21h à 05h par autorités allemandes)

- PPA de Creutzwald RN 33 (anciennement PPA de Creutzwald RN 53)

Département du Haut Rhin (68) : (1 PPA)

- PPA de Chalampé sur la RD39 (ouvert pour les convois exceptionnels)

**IV - Frontière Suisse (31 PPA)**

**DCPAF (17 PPA)**

- **DZPAF Est (8 PPA) :**

Département du Haut Rhin (68) : (7 PPA)

-PPA de Saint-Louis Lysbüchel sur la RD 66 (anciennement PPA de Saint Louis Lysbüchel sur la RN66)

GL -PPA de Saint-Louis autoroute sur la A 35

GL -PPA de Saint-Louis Bourgfelden sur la RD419 (anciennement PPA de Saint Louis Bourgfelden sur la RN 66)

-PPA de Bâle gare centrale

-PPA de Bâle-Mulhouse frontière terrestre piétonne (actuellement ouvert en fonction des horaires de vol)

-PPA de Hégenheim Sud sur la RD201 (anciennement PPA de Hégenheim sur la D469)

-PPA de Leymen-Benken sur la RD23

Département du Doubs (25) : (1 PPA)

-PPA de La Ferrière-sous-Jougne sur la RN 57

- **DZPAF Sud-Est (9 PPA) :**

Département de l'Ain (01) : (2 PPA)

- PPA de Preussin-Meyrin RN 84

-PPA de Divonne- Chavannes

Département de Haute Savoie (74) : (7 PPA)

GL - PPA de St-Julien de Bardonnex

- PPA d'Evian port

GL - PPA de Thonex-Vallard

- PPA de Moellesulaz

- PPA de St-Gingolph

- PPA de St-Julien de Perly

GL - PPA de Vallorcine

**DOUANES (14 PPA)**

Département de l'Ain (01) : (2 PPA)

-PPA de Genève gare Cornavin

-PPA de Ferney-Voltaire

Département du Haut-Rhin (68) : (1PPA)

-PPA de Bâle gare centrale (anciennement PPA de Saint Louis Bâle gare)

Territoire de Belfort (90) : (2 PPA)

GL -PPA de Delle Boncourt (contrôle permanent de 06h00 à 20h00)

-PPA de la gare de Delle (ouvert exclusivement pour les personnels soignants)

Département du Doubs (25) : (7 PPA)

- PPA de Goumois D437
- PPA de Col de France D461 (contrôle permanent de 06h00 à 20h00)
- PPA de Morteau gare (absence de trafic international)
- PPA de Pargots D2 (ouvert exclusivement pour les personnels soignants)
- PPA des Verrières de Joux D67 (contrôle permanent de 07h30 à 17h00 - fermé le week-end)
- PPA des Fourgs D6 (ouvert exclusivement pour les personnels soignants)
- PPA de Vallorbe Gare (absence de trafic international)

Département du Jura (39) : (2 PPA)

- PPA de Boët d'Amont
- PPA de la Cure (Contrôle de 6h30-12h ou 13h30-20h).

V - Frontière Italienne (12 PPA) :

**DCPAF (12 PPA)**

- DZPAF Sud-Est (3 PPA) :

Département de Haute Savoie (74) : (1 PPA)

GL - PPA de Chamonix-Tunnel du Mont Blanc A 40

Département de la Savoie (73) : (2 PPA)

-PPA de Modane Gare

GL - PPA Tunnel de Fréjus A 32

- DZPAF Sud (9 PPA) :

Département des Alpes de Haute Provence (04) : (1 PPA)

-PPA du Col de l'Arche

Département des Hautes Alpes (05) : (2 PPA)

-PPA du Col de Montgenèvre

-PPA Col de Tende

Département des Alpes Maritimes(06) : (6 PPA)

GL -PPA de Menton Pont St-Ludovic

-PPA de Menton Gare

GL -PPA Péage Autoroute A8 Menton / La Turbie

-PPA Sospel Carrefour St-Gervais

-PPA Breil sur Roya (RD 6204/RD2204)

-PPA Breil sur Roya Gare

**DOUANES (0 PPA)**

**VI - Frontière Espagnole (13 PPA) :**

- **DZPAF Sud (5 PPA) :**

Département des Pyrénées Orientales (66) : (4 PPA)

GL -PPA du Perthus Autoroute sur la A 9

-PPA du Perthus Route D 900 (Village)

-PPA de Cerbère Gare (fermeture de fait - absence de trains internationaux de voyageurs)

-PPA de Perpignan Gare (fermeture de fait - absence de trains internationaux de voyageurs)

Département de Haute Garonne (31) : (1 PPA)

GL -PPA de Melles Pont du Roy RN 125

- DZPAF Sud-Ouest (6 PPA) :

Département des Pyrénées Atlantiques (64) : (6 PPA)

GL -PPA de Biriadou autoroute A63

-PPA de Hendaye Pont St-Jacques RD 911

-PPA de Hendaye- Gare

-PPA de Dancharia D4

-PPA d'Arnéguy D 933

GL -PPA d'Urdos-Tunnel du Somport N 134

DOUANES (2 PPA) :

Département des Pyrénées Orientales (66) : (2 PPA)

GL -PPA de Bourg Madame

-PPA de la route neutre (entre Puigcerda et l'enclave de Llívia)