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from : Miguel Angel NAVARRO PORTERA, Deputy Permanent Representative of  
Spain to the European Union

dated : 19 March 2002

to : Mr Charles ELSÉN, Director-General DG H (JHA), Council

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Subject : Application by Spain of Article 2(2) of the Convention implementing the  
Schengen Agreement

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Delegations will find the text of the letter attached.

Deputy Permanent Representative of Spain  
to the European Union

Brussels, 19 March 2002

Mr Charles Elsen  
Director-General DG H (JHA)  
Council of the European Union  
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Sir,

In view of the informal meeting of Defence Ministers which will be held in Zaragoza under the auspices of the Spanish Presidency of the Council of the European Union and the consequent need to adopt special security measures, Spain will reintroduce checks on the Franco-Spanish border from 00.00 hours on 21 March 2002 until 24.00 hours on 23 March 2002, pursuant to the powers granted by Article 2(2) of the Convention implementing the Schengen Agreement. Checks will be carried out at the following border posts:

- GIRONA: Port-Bou, La Junquera, Camprodón and Puigcerdá
- LLEIDA: Lés
- HUESCA: Canfranc, Sallent de Gállego and Bielsa
- NAVARRA: Dancharinea and Valcarlos
- GUIPOZCOA: Irún

The checks will be flexible and geared to the situation in the light of information supplied by the responsible departments.

I would very much appreciate it if you would inform the Member States and the Commission of the reintroduction of these border checks.

(Complimentary close).

(s.) Miguel Angel Navarro Portera