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From:	French delegation
To:	Working Party on Frontiers/Mixed Committee (EU-Iceland/Liechtenstein/Norway/Switzerland)
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Subject:	Prolongation of the temporary reintroduction of border controls at the French internal borders in accordance with Articles 23 and 24 of Regulation (EC) 562/2006 establishing a Community 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 18 March 2016 concerning the prolongation of the temporary reintroduction of border controls by France at its internal borders between 28 March and 26 April 2016.

*Liberty Equality Fraternity*  
**French Republic**

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

**The Ambassador**

Brussels, 15 March 2016

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Dear Sir,

Please find enclosed a note from the French authorities prolonging the reintroduction of controls at internal borders with Belgium, Luxembourg, Germany, the Swiss Confederation, Italy and Spain from 28 March to 26 April 2016.

Yours faithfully,

Mr Pierre SELLAL

Copy to: Ms Christine ROGER

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## NOTE FROM THE FRENCH AUTHORITIES

**Subject:** Note from the French authorities prolonging the reintroduction of controls at the internal borders with Belgium, Luxembourg, Germany, the Swiss Confederation, Italy and Spain from 28 March to 26 April 2016.

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**Encl.:** -

Following the terrorist attacks in Paris on 13 November 2015 and the state of emergency imposed in France for three months, then renewed for three months by Law No. 2016-162 of 19 February 2016 due to the ongoing terrorist threat, the French Government has decided to extend the reintroduction of controls at its borders with all neighbouring countries for a period of 30 days, i.e. 28 March to 26 April 2016 inclusive, under Articles 23(3) and 23a of the Schengen Borders Code.

From 28 March to 26 April 2016, therefore, controls will be carried out at internal land borders with Belgium, Luxembourg, Germany, the Swiss Confederation, Italy and Spain, as well as at air and sea borders.

Accordingly, the French authorities wish to notify without delay the members of the Council of the European Union and the States involved in cooperation within the Schengen area of the extended reintroduction of border controls, as provided for in Article 24(5) of the Schengen Borders Code.

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