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from : Mr. Björn Friðfinnsson, Permanent Secretary of the Ministry of Justice and
Ecclesiastical Affairs, Reykjavik, Iceland

date of receipt : 3 May 2002

to : General Secretariat of the Council

Subject : Application of Article 2(2) of the Schengen Implementing Convention

Delegations will find attached a copy of a letter concerning the above-mentioned subject.



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Dear Mr Solana,

The foreign ministers of the Nato states, along with their colleagues from the countries participating in the Partnership for Peace Program will meet in Reykjavík on 14 and 15 May. It is our opinion that public policy and national security require that national border checks be reinstated for a limited period at the Keflavik airport, in accordance with Article 2(2) of the Schengen Convention. This measure is limited to the period from 00.00 on 7 May to 12.00 on 16 May 2002.

In accordance with Decision SCH/Com-ex 20 rev 2 of 20 December 1995, may I ask you to inform the Schengen States of the measure adopted by Iceland and to request that they too respond by stepping up checks accordingly, so as to confront any threat as effectively as possible.

Should the need arise, contact can be taken with the operational authorities in telephone numbers +354 899 8018 and +354 425 0655, fax number +354 425 0657 and by e-mail address borderpolice@dc.is

May I ask you also to pass on this information to the Schengen States and to ask them to forward to us via one of the above means any observations they may have.

Thank you in advance for your support.

Yours sincerely

Björn Friðfinnsson
Permanent Secretary