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from: Spanish delegation
to: Working Party on Frontiers/Mixed Committee (EU-Iceland/Liechtenstein/Norway/Switzerland)

Subject: Reintroduction of controls at internal borders in accordance with Articles 23 and 24 of the Schengen Borders Code between 28 April and 4 May 2012

From 2 to 4 May 2012 a meeting of the Governing Council of the European Central Bank (ECB) will be held in Barcelona bringing together the leaders of the ECB and the governors of the central banks of 17 European Union countries, as well as other leading experts on the economy.

As there are reasonable grounds for believing that some serious public order disturbances could disrupt the meeting, the Spanish Government has decided, in accordance with Articles 23 and 24 of Regulation (EC) No 562/2006 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 15 March 2006, establishing a Community Code on the rules governing the movement of persons across borders (Schengen Borders Code), to reintroduce controls, on a temporary basis, at the internal land borders between Spain and France and to reinstate air border control posts at Barcelona and Gerona airports.
The temporary reintroduction of controls at internal borders will apply between 00.00 on 28 April and midnight on 4 May 2012.

Controls will be reintroduced at the following border posts:

- Land borders with France: La Junquera (Gerona); Port Bou (Gerona); Puig Cerdá (Gerona); Camprodón (Gerona); Les (Lérida); Canfranc (Huesca).

- Air borders: Barcelona and Gerona airports.