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

date of receipt : 7 June 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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Reykjavík, 7 June 2002
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Dear Mr Solana,

The President of the Peoples Republic of China, Mr. Jiang Zemin, will be paying an official visit to Iceland from 13 to 16 June.

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 20.00 on 7 June to 24.00 on 16 June 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.

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@dr.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