



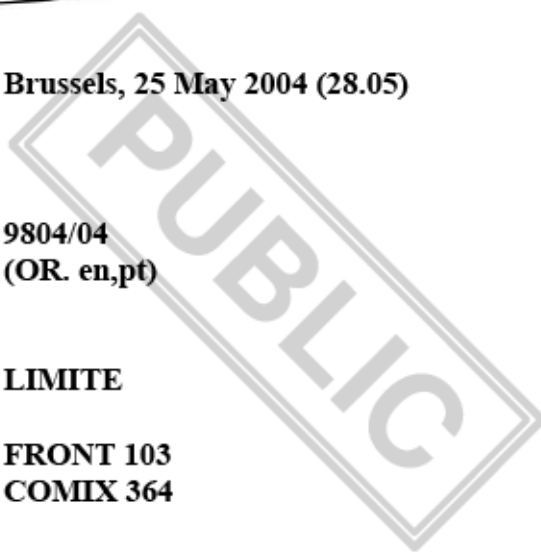
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**NOTE**

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to : **Mr Javier Solana, Secretary-General/High Representative**

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date of receipt: **24 May 2004**

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Subject : **Application by Portugal of Article 2(2) of the Schengen Convention**

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Delegations will find attached the text of the above letter.

Subject: Reimposition of document checking at Portugal's borders

In view of the music festival "Rock in Rio" and of the European Football Championship, Euro 2004, and the resulting need for special security measures to ensure that public order is maintained while these events are taking place, Portugal will reimpose document checks at all its borders, from 26 May to 4 July 2004, as authorised by Article 2(2) of the Schengen Convention.

The Portuguese Government believes that the reimposition of document checking at borders is necessary to ensure internal security and prevent the entry into the country of individuals or groups identified as likely to cause conflict or serious public disorder, or as behaving in a way that could put at risk the safety of Portuguese or foreign nationals, who will be flocking to Portugal for these events.

The checks will be flexible and adapted to particular situations based on the information provided by the competent services.

Please forward this notification of reimposition of border controls to the Member States and the Commission.

(Complimentary close).

Álvaro de Mendonça e Moura  
Ambassador, Permanent Representative

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