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**Norwegian report on the application of the Implementing Decision on internal border control**

According to the Council's decision dated 11. November 2016, Norway continues to carry out border controls in ports with ferry connections with Sweden, Denmark and Germany. Border controls are targeted and limited in scope, frequency, location and time, to what is strictly necessary to respond to the threat and to safeguard public policy and internal security.

Following an operational order from the National Police Directorate to the Chiefs of police and Chiefs of specialist units of 10 June 2016, the police shall be present at all ferry arrivals. Controls of individuals are "intelligence based", meaning that they are based on profiling of passenger lists in Safe Sea Net (SSN) and on other relevant intelligence information. Controls are not to be based solely on the passenger belonging to a specific ethnic or religious group.

Based on these orders it is up to the local police districts to perform the controls according to the specific situation in terms of the character of the ferry connections, and risk assessment. The focus is on prevention through visible presence of the Police while at the same time minimizing the use of resources, and at the same time acting in accordance with the commitments in the Schengen Border Code, as well as national interests in terms of control of territory and internal security. The impact on regular traffic is minimal.

During the period from 11. November 2016 until 12. December 2016, passenger lists with a total of 158 991 persons have been checked, 7 persons have been investigated

further. 1 person has been refused entry. There has been no application for asylum lodged following a control situation.

The necessity, frequency and location of the controls are reviewed weekly.

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