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NOTE

from :	the General Secretariat
to :	Working Group "Frontiers"
Subject :	Questionnaire in preparation for the 1998 Annual Report on the Situation at the external borders of the States in which the Schengen Convention has been brought into force

In order to draft the Sub-Group on Frontiers' annual report for 1998 on the situation at the external borders in good time, the German Presidency intends to structure the report in the same way as last year's report (SCH/I-Front (98) 145 rev 3), and hence update the external borders situation report.

The delegations are therefore requested to answer the following questions **by 26 February 1999**:

1. Which aspects should be in the general section (Introduction, general statements on migratory flows, etc.)?
2. Situation at the land borders
 - 2.1 What problems have been ascertained at your State's external land borders to Schengen?
 - 2.2 What measures has your State taken to overcome these problems?

3. Situation at airports

3.1 What problems have been ascertained at the airports of your State?

3.2 What has been done in your State to overcome these problems?

4. Situation at maritime borders

4.1 What problems have been ascertained at your State's maritime borders?

4.2 What measures has your State taken to overcome these problems?

5. Particularly frequent problems relating to the performance of border controls

5.1 What circumstances have come to the notice of the authorities in your country?

5.2 What counter-measures have been taken?

6. What are the conclusions to be drawn from these findings?

7. What recommendations should the annual report make?

The delegations are also requested to send the General Secretariat any outstanding statistics for 1998 as soon as possible (cf SCH/Com-ex (95) 21 and SCH/SG (99) 3) so that the necessary conclusions and analyses can be made from these figures for the annual report.