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The Commission is aware that, in specific locations, the reintroduction of internal border control may pose challenges to cross-border traffic. The Commission closely monitors any reintroduction of internal border control and is in regular contact with Member States concerned to ensure that measures are put in place to mitigate the effect of such reintroduction and ensure the fluidity of cross-border travel. As regards the German-Luxembourgish internal border, the Commission welcomes the recent joint announcement to remove fixed border control at the Trier checkpoint, which will be replaced by mobile checks within German territory.

The Commission is aware of the recent judgment of the Koblenz Verwaltungsgericht¹. It is the Commission's understanding that the judgment is currently under appeal.

The Commission makes its own assessment of each individual reintroduction of internal border control by Germany and any other Member States within the framework of its monitoring obligations under the Schengen Borders Code².

¹ judgment of 27 April 2026, Verwaltungsgericht Koblenz (DE), Case 3 K 650/25.KO.

² Regulation (EU) 2016/399 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 9 March 2016 on a Union Code on the rules governing the movement of persons across borders (Schengen Borders Code), OJ L 77, 23.3.2016, pp. 1-52.