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#### TRAVEL WARNINGS AND TRAVEL ADVICE

Open Borders and new Rules for Travels abroad

Effective today most of the borders within Europe are open again; there is extensive freedom to travel – with some exceptions.

Border controls for immigration to Germany ended in the night. Only controls which have been implemented long before against irregular migrants at the border to Austria will remain in effect.

#### Travel Warnings and Travel Advice – with Exceptions

The travel warning for 23 of the other 26 EU member states has been suspended for tourists from Germany and has been changed to travel advice. This also applies to Great Britain and to Switzerland, Iceland and Liechtenstein. Spain intends to open borders on June 21; tourist are already allowed to travel to the Balearic Islands.

Finland also extended the immigration stop for tourists beyond June 15. At current Sweden is the only country within the European Union which does not meet criteria for suspension of travel warnings as it exceeds the maximum of a total of 50 new infections per 100,000 inhabitants within one week.

### There could be congested Traffic at the Border to Denmark

Travelers to Denmark will henceforth be controlled at the border, and that could create congested traffic. Effective today German tourists are allowed to travel to Denmark provided they have booked at least six overnight stays. German guests are expected in approximately 14,000 booked holiday residences as early as today.

# France hopes for more Travelers from Germany after Borders have reopened

France also opens for tourists from European countries effective today. Within the eastern France Region of Grand Est, neighboring Germany, people hope for more visitors from the neighbor country. Paris, also, is relatively 'empty' – nothing is going on at places of interest like Notre Dame Cathedral.

## Airlines and Airports have prepared themselves

Airports, airlines and travel agencies are awaiting the restart with concepts for hygiene and security. Lufthansa has extended the flight schedule. But a large wave of travelers is not to be expected as most of the flights offered by large travel agencies will start during this week or in the beginning of July.

As of June 15, 7.04 a.m.