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Certain amendments to the ban on entry from the UK and Denmark

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The Government decided today on certain amendments to the ban on entry into Sweden from the United Kingdom and Denmark. The amendments have been made to enable children and parents to spend time together and to facilitate certain medical transport services from Denmark. In addition, the time-limited ordinance will be extended until 31 January 2021.

The aim of the powerful measures introduced in December is to prevent further spread of the COVID-19 virus and its new variants so that fewer people become infected. Among these measures is the general ban on entry from Denmark and the UK. However, it is important that children are not unduly affected as a result of this ban, which could happen if they and one of their parents live in Denmark or the UK or are there for some other reason. The Government is consequently introducing an exemption to the entry ban so that children travelling to be with a parent who lives in Sweden or on Bornholm, and the person accompanying the child on such trips, can enter the country. In addition, people who are the subject of, or involved in, medical transport services, from Denmark are also exempt from the ban.

“Even during a pandemic, it’s very important that children are able to spend time with both their parents. That’s why the Government has introduced this exemption. We’re also ensuring that medical transport services are not affected at a time when the health care system is already struggling,” says Minister for Home Affairs Mikael Damberg.

The revised ban on entry from the UK and Denmark will enter into force on Saturday 16 January and apply until 31 January.

Questions

The media and journalists should contact the relevant press secretary.

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