Agreement on the European Economic Area

The EEA Joint Committee

DECISION OF THE EEA JOINT COMMITTEE No 35/97 of 29 May 1997

amending Annex XVIII (Health and safety at work, labour law, and equal treatment for men and women) to the EEA Agreement

THE EEA JOINT COMMITTEE,

Having regard to the Agreement on the European Economic Area, as adjusted by the Protocol Adjusting the Agreement on the European Economic Area, hereinafter referred to as the Agreement, and in particular Article 98 thereof,

Whereas Annex XVIII to the Agreement was amended by Decision of the EEA Joint Committee No 29/96 of 26 April 1996¹;

Whereas Council Recommendation 96/694/EC of 2 December 1996 on the balanced participation of women and men in the decision-making process² is to be incorporated into the Agreement;

Whereas Council Recommendation 96/694/EC is to be grouped in a separate category together with other acts of which the Contracting Parties to the Agreement shall take note,

HAS DECIDED AS FOLLOWS:

Article 1

The following shall be inserted after point 21 (Council Directive 86/613/EEC):

"ACTS OF WHICH THE CONTRACTING PARTIES SHALL TAKE NOTE

The Contracting Parties take note of the content of the following acts:"

OJ No L 186, 25.7.1996, p. 82.

OJ No L 319, 10.12.1996, p. 11.

Article 2

The following point shall be inserted after point 21b (Council Resolution 95/C 168/02) in Annex XVIII to the Agreement:

"21c. **396 X 0694**: Council Recommendation 96/694/EC of 2 December 1996 on the balanced participation of women and men in the decision-making process (OJ No L 319, 10.12.1996, p. 11)."

Article 3

The texts of Council Recommendation 96/694/EC in the Icelandic and Norwegian languages, which are annexed to the respective language versions of this Decision, are authentic.

Article 4

This Decision shall enter into force on 1 June 1997, provided that all the notifications under Article 103(1) of the Agreement have been made to the EEA Joint Committee.

Article 5

This Decision shall be published in the EEA Section of, and in the EEA Supplement to, the Official Journal of the European Communities.

Done at Brussels, 29 May 1997.	For the EEA Joint C The President	Committee
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	The Secretaries to the EEA Joint Committee	
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