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**DECISION OF THE EEA JOINT COMMITTEE**  
**No 178/1999**

**of 17 December 1999**

**amending Annex XIII (Transport)**  
**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 XIII to the Agreement was amended by Decision of the EEA Joint Committee No 171/1999 of 26 November 1999<sup>1</sup>;

Whereas Commission Directive 1999/48/EC of 21 May 1999 adapting for the second time to technical progress Council Directive 96/49/EC on the approximation of the laws of the Member States with regard to the transport of dangerous goods by rail<sup>2</sup> is to be incorporated into the Agreement,

HAS DECIDED AS FOLLOWS:

*Article 1*

The following indent shall be added in point 42b (Council Directive 96/49/EC) of Annex XIII to the Agreement:

‘- **399 L 0048**: Commission Directive 1999/48/EC of 21 May 1999 (OJ L 169, 5.7.1999, p. 58).’

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<sup>1</sup> OJ L ...

<sup>2</sup> OJ L 169, 5.7.1999, p. 58.

*Article 2*

The texts of Commission Directive 1999/48/EC in the Icelandic and Norwegian languages, which are annexed to the respective language versions of this Decision, are authentic.

*Article 3*

This Decision shall enter into force on 18 December 1999, provided that all the notifications under Article 103(1) of the Agreement have been made to the EEA Joint Committee.

*Article 4*

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, 17 December 1999.

*For the EEA Joint Committee  
The President*

*N. v. Liechtenstein*

*The Secretaries  
to the EEA Joint Committee*

*G. Vik                      E. Gerner*