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**DECISION OF THE EEA JOINT COMMITTEE**  
**No 16/2000**

**of 28 January 2000**

**amending Annex XXI (Statistics)**  
**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:

- (1) Annex XXI to the Agreement was amended by Decision of the EEA Joint Committee No 13/1999 of 29 January 1999<sup>1</sup>;
- (2) Council Regulation (EC) No 577/98 of 9 March 1998 on the organisation of a labour force sample survey in the Community<sup>2</sup> is to be incorporated into the Agreement;
- (3) In consideration of its specific situation, Liechtenstein is to be exempted from the requirements of Council Regulation (EC) No 577/98,

HAS DECIDED AS FOLLOWS:

*Article 1*

The text of point 18a (Council Regulation (EEC) No 3711/91) in Annex XXI to the Agreement shall be replaced by the following:

**'398 R 0577:** Council Regulation (EC) No 577/98 of 9 March 1998 on the organisation of a labour force sample survey in the Community (OJ L 77, 14.3.1998, p. 3).

The provisions of the Regulation shall, for the purposes of the present Agreement, be read with the following adaptation:

"This Regulation shall not apply to Liechtenstein."

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

<sup>2</sup> OJ L 77, 14.3.1998, p. 3.

*Article 2*

The texts of Council Regulation (EC) No 577/98 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 29 January 2000, 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, 28 January 2000.

*For the EEA Joint Committee  
The President*

*F. Barbaso*

*The Secretaries  
to the EEA Joint Committee*

*G. Vik*

*E. Gerner*

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\* No constitutional requirements indicated.