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DECISION OF THE EEA JOINT COMMITTEE No 123/2008

of 7 November 2008

amending Annex XXI (Statistics) to the EEA Agreement

THE EEA JOINT COMMITTEE,

Having regard to the Agreement on the European Economic Area, as amended 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 108/2008 of 26 September 2008 ¹.
- (2) Regulation (EC) No 295/2008 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 11 March 2008 concerning structural business statistics (recast)² is to be incorporated into the Agreement.
- (3) Regulation (EC) No 295/2008 repeals Council Regulation (EC, Euratom) No 58/97³, which is incorporated into the Agreement and which is consequently to be repealed under the Agreement,

HAS DECIDED AS FOLLOWS:

Article 1

Annex XXI to the Agreement shall be amended as follows:

- 1. The text of point 1 (Council Regulation (EC, Euratom) No 58/97) shall be replaced by the following:
 - **'32008 R 0295**: Regulation (EC) No 295/2008 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 11 March 2008 concerning structural business statistics (recast) (OJ L 97, 9.4.2008, p. 13).

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

OJ L 309, 20.11.2008, p. 37.

OJ L 97, 9.4.2008, p. 13.

OJ L 14, 17.1.1997, p. 1.

Liechtenstein is exempted from collecting the data required by this Regulation, except for the detailed module for structural statistics on business demography according to Article 3(2)(i).

It shall provide the requested data for the first time for the year 2009.'

- 2. The following shall be added in point 20c (Regulation (EC) No 1893/2006 of the European Parliament and of the Council):
 - ', as amended by:
 - **32008 R 0295**: Regulation (EC) No 295/2008 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 11 March 2008 (OJ L 97, 9.4.2008, p. 13).'

Article 2

The texts of Regulation (EC) No 295/2008 in the Icelandic and Norwegian languages, to be published in the EEA Supplement to the *Official Journal of the European Union*, shall be authentic.

Article 3

This Decision shall enter into force on 8 November 2008, 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 Union*.

Done at Brussels, 7 November 2008.

For the EEA Joint Committee The President

H. S. H. Prinz Nikolaus von Liechtenstein

The Secretaries to the EEA Joint Committee

Bergdis Ellertsdóttir Matthias Brinkmann

^{*} No constitutional requirements indicated.