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DECISION OF THE EEA JOINT COMMITTEE No 10/2019

of 8 February 2019

amending Annex II (Technical regulations, standards, testing and certification) to the EEA Agreement [2020/929]

THE EEA JOINT COMMITTEE,

Having regard to the Agreement on the European Economic Area ('the EEA Agreement'), and in particular Article 98 thereof,

Whereas:

- (1) Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2018/555 of 9 April 2018 concerning a coordinated multiannual control programme of the Union for 2019, 2020 and 2021 to ensure compliance with maximum residue levels of pesticides and to assess the consumer exposure to pesticide residues in and on food of plant and animal origin (¹) is to be incorporated into the EEA Agreement.
- (2) Implementing Regulation (EU) 2018/555 repeals, with effect from 1 September 2019, Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2017/660 (²), which is incorporated into the EEA Agreement and which is consequently to be repealed under the EEA Agreement with effect from 1 September 2019.
- (3) This Decision concerns legislation regarding foodstuffs. Legislation regarding foodstuffs shall not apply to Liechtenstein as long as the application of the Agreement between the European Community and the Swiss Confederation on trade in agricultural products is extended to Liechtenstein, as specified in the introduction to Chapter XII of Annex II to the EEA Agreement. This Decision is therefore not to apply to Liechtenstein.
- (4) Annex II to the EEA Agreement should therefore be amended accordingly,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

Article 1

Chapter XII of Annex II to the EEA Agreement shall be amended as follows:

- (1) the following is inserted after point 149 (Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2018/1648):
 - ⁽¹⁵⁰⁾ **32018 R 0555**: Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2018/555 of 9 April 2018 concerning a coordinated multiannual control programme of the Union for 2019, 2020 and 2021 to ensure compliance with maximum residue levels of pesticides and to assess the consumer exposure to pesticide residues in and on food of plant and animal origin (OJ L 92, 10.4.2018, p. 6).

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

To the table in point (5) in Annex II, the following shall be added:

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(2) the text of point 129 (Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2017/660) shall be deleted with effect from 1 September 2019.

Article 2

The text of Implementing Regulation (EU) 2018/555 in the Icelandic and Norwegian languages, to be published in the EEA Supplement to the Official Journal of the European Union, shall be authentic.

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 92, 10.4.2018, p. 6.

⁽²⁾ OJ L 94, 7.4.2017, p. 12.

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Article 3

This Decision shall enter into force on 9 February 2019, provided that all the notifications under Article 103(1) of the EEA Agreement have been made (*).

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, 8 February 2019.

For the EEA Joint Committee The President Claude MAERTEN

^(*) No constitutional requirements indicated.