

DECISION OF THE EEA JOINT COMMITTEE No 97/2020
of 14 July 2020
amending Annex I (Veterinary and phytosanitary matters) to the EEA Agreement [2023/1357]

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 Decision (EU) 2019/1970 of 26 November 2019 amending Annex II to Decision 93/52/EEC as regards the officially brucellosis (*B. melitensis*)-free status and Annex II to Decision 2003/467/EC as regards the officially brucellosis-free status of certain regions of Spain and Annexes I and II to Decision 2008/185/EC as regards the free status and the approval of the eradication programmes for Aujeszky's disease for certain regions of Italy ⁽¹⁾ is to be incorporated into the EEA Agreement.
- (2) This Decision concerns legislation regarding live animals other than fish and aquaculture animals. Legislation concerning these matters shall not apply to Iceland, as specified in paragraph 2 of the Introductory Part of Chapter I of Annex I to the EEA Agreement. This Decision is therefore not to apply to Iceland.
- (3) This Decision concerns legislation regarding veterinary matters. Legislation regarding veterinary matters 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 sectoral adaptations to Annex I to the EEA Agreement. This Decision is therefore not to apply to Liechtenstein.
- (4) Annex I to the EEA Agreement should therefore be amended accordingly,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

Article 1

The following indent is added in points 14 (Commission Decision 93/52/EEC), 70 (Commission Decision 2003/467/EC) and 84 (Commission Decision 2008/185/EC) in Part 4.2 of Chapter I of Annex I to the EEA Agreement:

‘- **32019 D 1970**: Commission Implementing Decision (EU) 2019/1970 of 26 November 2019 (OJ L 307, 28.11.2019, p. 47).’

Article 2

The text of Implementing Decision (EU) 2019/1970 in the Norwegian language, 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 15 July 2020, provided that all the notifications under Article 103(1) of the EEA Agreement have been made *.

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 307, 28.11.2019, p. 47.

* No constitutional requirements indicated.

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, 14 July 2020.

For the EEA Joint Committee
The President
Sabine MONAUNI
