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DECISION OF THE EEA JOINT COMMITTEE No 230/2021

of 24 September 2021

amending Annex I (Veterinary and phytosanitary matters) to the EEA Agreement [2024/463]

THE EEA JOINT COMMITTEE,

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

Whereas:

- Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2021/403 of 24 March 2021 laying down rules for the application of (1)Regulations (EU) 2016/429 and (EU) 2017/625 of the European Parliament and of the Council as regards model animal health certificates and model animal health/official certificates, for the entry into the Union and movements between Member States of consignments of certain categories of terrestrial animals and germinal products thereof, official certification regarding such certificates and repealing Decision 2010/470/EU (1) is to be incorporated into the EEA Agreement.
- Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2021/617 of 14 April 2021 amending Implementing Regulations (2)(EU) 2020/2235 and (EU) 2020/2236 as regards model animal health certificates and animal health/official certificates for the entry into the Union of certain aquatic animals and products of animal origin (2) is to be incorporated into the EEA Agreement.
- Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2021/619 of 15 April 2021 amending Implementing Regulations (3) (EU) 2020/2235, (EU) 2020/2236 and (EU) 2021/403 as regards transitional provisions for the use of animal health certificates, animal health/official certificates and official certificates (3) is to be incorporated into the EEA Agreement.
- (4) Implementing Regulation (EU) 2021/403 repeals Commission Decision 2010/470/EU (4), which is incorporated into the EEA Agreement and which is consequently to be repealed under the EEA Agreement.
- (5) This Decision concerns, inter alia, legislation regarding live animals other than fish and aquaculture animals and animal products such as ova, embryo and semen. 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 to apply to Iceland for the areas referred to in paragraph 2 of the Introductory Part.
- 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.
- Annex I to the EEA Agreement should therefore be amended accordingly, (7)

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 113, 31.3.2021, p. 1.

⁽²⁾ OJ L 131, 16.4.2021, p. 41.

⁽³⁾ OJ L 131, 16.4.2021, p. 72.

⁽⁴⁾ OJ L 228, 31.8.2010, p. 15.

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HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

Article 1

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

1. The following is added in points 13l (Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2020/2235) and 13m (Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2020/2236):

', as amended by:

- 32021 R 0617: Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2021/617 of 14 April 2021 (OJ L 131, 16.4.2021, p. 41),
- 32021 R 0619: Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2021/619 of 15 April 2021 (OJ L 131, 16.4.2021, p. 72).'
- 2. The following is inserted after point 130 (Commission Implementing Decision (EU) 2021/260) in Part 1.1:
 - '13p. **32021 R 0403**: Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2021/403 of 24 March 2021 laying down rules for the application of Regulations (EU) 2016/429 and (EU) 2017/625 of the European Parliament and of the Council as regards model animal health certificates and model animal health/official certificates, for the entry into the Union and movements between Member States of consignments of certain categories of terrestrial animals and germinal products thereof, official certification regarding such certificates and repealing Decision 2010/470/EU (OJ L 113, 31.3.2021, p. 1), as amended by:
 - **32021 R 0619**: Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2021/619 of 15 April 2021 (OJ L 131, 16.4.2021, p. 72).

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

The words "Norway" shall be inserted after the word "Finland" in paragraphs II.2.3. of Chapter 15, (7) of Part II of the Notes of Chapter 15, II.2.3. of Chapter 16, (9) of Part II of the Notes of Chapter 16, II.2.3. of Chapter 17, (13) of Part II of the Notes of Chapter 17, II.2.1.3. of Chapter 18, (13) of Part II of the Notes of Chapter 18, II.2.2. of Chapter 19, (9) of Part II of the Notes of Chapter 19 of Annex I and paragraphs II.1.3. of Chapter 23, (5) of Part II of the Notes of Chapter 23, II.1.3. of Chapter 25, (5) of Part II of the Notes of Chapter 25, II.2.3. of Chapter 27, (16) of Part II of the Notes of Chapter 27, II.2.4. of Chapter 30, (14) of Part II of the Notes of Chapter 30, II.1.3.3. of Chapter 32, (19) of Part II of the Notes of Chapter 32, II.1.3. of Chapter 33 and (14) of Part II of the Notes of Chapter 33 of Annex II.

This act shall not apply to Iceland.'

3. The text of point 93 (Commission Decision 2010/470/EU) in Part 4.2 is deleted.

Article 2

The text of Implementing Regulation (EU) 2021/403 in the Norwegian language and the texts of Implementing Regulations (EU) 2021/617 and (EU) 2021/619 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 25 September 2021, provided that all the notifications under Article 103(1) of the EEA Agreement have been made *.

^{*} No constitutional requirements indicated.

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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, 24 September 2021.

For the EEA Joint Committee The President Rolf Einar FIFE