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I INTRODUCTION

1. The EEA JPC shall according to the EEA Agreement (Article 95, paragraph 4) examine the annual report of the EEA Joint Committee on the functioning and development of the EEA Agreement. The present report examines the Annual Report of the EEA Joint Committee for 2000. As has been done in previous years, the report assesses the functioning of the Agreement and general developments within the EEA, focusing on a number of important areas where progress has in the past been lacking.

II THE EEA ANNUAL REPORT - SUMMARY

2. The Joint Committee Annual Report for 2000 is very similar in structure and content to the Annual Reports for 1996, 1997, 1998 and 2000. It provides, as did the previous ones, a good factual overview, listing areas where progress has been made and decisions taken. It states that, overall, the EEA functions well, as has been the case in previous reports.

3. The report notes that the Joint Committee in 2000 adopted 114 decisions (compared to 192 in 1999, 122 in 1998, 107 in 1997 and 84 in 1996), and incorporated 217 acts, compared to 562 acts in 1999 (of which 291 were veterinary acts in the revised Annex 1). No veterinary acts were incorporated into the Agreement in 2000, due to ongoing discussions on simplified procedures for integrating acts in the veterinary fields. The report notes that the rate of *decision making* decreased slightly in 2000. Disregarding the veterinary acts incorporated in 1999, the number of acts incorporated in 2000 is less than in 1999. The 2000 level is, however, high compared to the number of integrated acts in the first years of the existence of the Agreement. An average of 11 decisions were adopted per working month (compared to 17 in 1999, 11 in 1998, 9 in 1997 and 7 in 1996), representing an average of about 22 acts incorporated (compared to 24 in 1999, 16 in 1998 and 13 in 1997). The report notes that there was an increase in the number of EU acts considered on the EFTA side, while the number of acts under final clearance on the Community side had decreased. The Annex II to the Report shows the number of legal acts from their adoption on the EU side until they are fully integrated into the EEA Agreement. In general, it seems that most EEA relevant acts are processed in an efficient manner and that the procedures for the integration of acts in EFTA capitals, the substructures and the Joint Committee function to the satisfaction of the contracting parties. In some areas, the integration takes too long time, thus increasing the average time from identification to integration.

4. The report highlights the lack of integration of certain acts, notably in the field of free movement of goods. Extensive discussions were held in the Joint Committee regarding long outstanding acts related to foodstuffs, energy and intellectual property. The Commission urged its EEA partners to finalise considerations and procedures on the EFTA side with a view to the rapid integration of the acts in question, and the report notes that the EFTA side worked actively towards this end. The rapporteurs note that the first draft Joint Committee decisions regarding this long outstanding acquis have been put forward.

5. The rapporteurs note that the report does not use the term *backlog* as has been the case in previous reports. The lack of integration of certain EEA relevant acts in the field of free movement of goods has created a backlog. The report does not address backlog accumulated during 2000 in the veterinary field either, as a result of finding an agreement on new and simplified procedures for the integration of certain veterinary acquis. The rapporteurs stress that establishing and maintaining a homogeneous Internal Market will be all the more important seen in light of the forthcoming enlargement.

6. The report notes that 2000 was a turning point with regard to the fulfilment of constitutional requirements in the EEA EFTA States, as constitutional procedures were completed for all Decisions where the six-month delay had expired. In order to improve transparency the Joint Committee introduced a new practice of indicating in a footnote whether or not the entry into force of a new act was subject to fulfilment of constitutional requirements.

7. The rapporteurs note that procedures regarding the translation into Norwegian and Icelandic were changed in 2000. In order to allow for publication of Joint Committee Decisions immediately after their adoption, thus increasing transparency, Decisions were as of March published without the underlying legal acts translated into the two languages in question. The report underlines that the Joint Committee noted that these procedures were of a temporary nature and that efforts would be made to arrive at a permanent solution. The rapporteurs note that the problem necessitating temporarily solutions is not identified, nor is the duration of the temporary solution.

8. Regarding *decision shaping*, the report lists the issues on which EFTA comments were transmitted to the Commission, 15 in all (compared to 16 in 1999, 20 in 1998 and 22 in 1997). The transmission of EFTA comments has seen a steady decrease in the last four years. The comments cover a wide range of subjects, from eEurope to renewable energy sources, including comments on Commission proposals, White Papers and directives. The rapporteurs note that neither analysis nor evaluation of the effect of EFTA participation in decision shaping is provided in the report. It notes in a comprehensive way that EFTA experts continue to be associated with the work of a wide range of EC committees, around 400 committees and working groups in all.

9. Following requests from the EEA EFTA States to participate in the Commission's Advisory Committee on State Aid, progress was made towards a tentative solution which would allow representatives from the EFTA Secretariat and the EFTA Surveillance Authority to be involved in the work of the Committee.

10. The Commission provided two comprehensive briefings to the Joint Committee on enlargement in 2000. This was based on previous engagement by the EU to keep the EEA EFTA States fully informed on the enlargement process. A number of sector specific briefings were also provided in the substructure. The rapporteurs note that preparations have started for an assessment of modalities of implementing Article 128 of the EEA Agreement on enlargement of the EEA.

11. The report notes that an agreement was reached on a new EEA Financial Instrument with which the EEA EFTA States contribute towards reducing social and

economic disparities in Europe. The rapporteurs note that the new Financial Instrument will be applicable for the period between 1999 and 2003 inclusive.

12. The rapporteurs note that no veterinary acquis was integrated into the EEA Agreement in 2000, awaiting a final agreement on the simplified procedures for integrating certain veterinary acts. The report says that an agreement on new and simplified procedures for the integration of certain veterinary acquis have been designed, allowing the Joint Committee to take note of Decisions instead of incorporating them into the Agreement by a Joint Committee Decision. It is the rapporteurs' understanding that when a Decision is simply noted, the underlying acts do not need translation into Norwegian and Icelandic. The report does not identify the problem necessitating new and simplified procedures. It does not address a possible lack of translation capacity, nor does it describe the relevance of the underlying legal acts, nor does it describe possible consequences of the lack of translation.

13. Still in the veterinary field, the report notes that discussions on finding a *permanent* solution to the mutual recognition of Decisions taken by the EFTA Surveillance Authority and the Commission respectively on certain acts in the veterinary field are to continue in 2001. The report notes that an agreement was reached between the EFTA Surveillance Authority and the Commission with regard to a new list of border inspection posts in Iceland and Norway and future procedures for amending this list. The report does not explain why an agreement was needed in the first place, nor the nature or background of the problem. The rapporteurs believe the issue to be one of principles, namely the competencies of the EFTA Surveillance Authority and the Commission respectively within the two-pillar system.

14. The report notes that the President-in-office of the Joint Committee responded to the EEA JPC at its 14th meeting on the functioning of the EEA Agreement in 1999, homogeneity of the single market in the EEA and on justice and home affairs and the EEA.

III THE FUNCTIONING OF THE AGREEMENT – EVALUATION AND CONSIDERATIONS

15. The Annual Report of the EEA Joint Committee gives a good factual overview of developments during 2000. The report is, however, scarce on background information, and is fairly technical and neutral in its assessments. The rapporteurs agree to the Report's assessment that, in general, the EEA Agreement seems to be functioning to the satisfaction of the contracting parties. It seems as if a significant share of EEA relevant legislation has been incorporated into the Agreement, although the average time from the identification of EEA relevant acquis to the integration into the Agreement was in average almost one year. The rapporteurs regret the lack of necessary information in the report to be able to identify possible bottle-necks in the integration process, and whether these are of a political or technical nature.

16. Major problems in maintaining the homogeneity of the Area have been avoided, but the rapporteurs agree with the assessment of the EEA Joint Committee in its report that the integration time is too long. The rapporteurs recall previous resolutions adopted

by the EEA JPC in which the committee has stressed the importance of reducing the backlog to a minimum. With the imminent enlargement of the EEA, maintaining homogeneity in the Internal Market becomes all the more important. The rapporteurs note with concern long outstanding *acquis* in the area of free movement of goods, but note with satisfaction that solutions appear to be found regarding energy and foodstuffs. The rapporteurs are concerned about the non-integration of veterinary acts during 2000, and will call on the contracting parties to speed up the adoption of the simplified procedures in this area, thus avoiding a further building up of backlog. While some outstanding *acquis* may not be seen as a major threat to the integrity of the Agreement, it is most certainly an unsatisfactory state of affairs and a hindrance to a true single, homogeneous market.

17. It is noted with satisfaction that temporary solutions seem to have been found with regard to the publication of Joint Committee Decisions, without the translation of underlying acts into Icelandic and Norwegian. The early publication of decisions will increase transparency for economic and private operators in the EEA.

18. While welcoming increased transparency, the rapporteurs are concerned about the translation capacity in general, and in the veterinary field in particular, and about possible adverse implications of the lack of timely translations. This could in fact in the longer term decrease transparency. There still seems to be insufficient capacity for translation of acts into Icelandic and Norwegian. The report does not provide an explanation to whether the long announced adequate resources have been provided in the EFTA Secretariat and in the capitals for the speedy translation of legal acts into Norwegian and Icelandic.

19. The EEA JPC has during the years emphasised many times that the EEA EFTA States are as much part of the internal market as EU member states and as such must participate in the shaping of common rules. Participation of the EEA EFTA States in decision shaping is important at all levels, from the expert level to exchanges in the Joint Committee. The EFTA pillar continued in 2000 to contribute to the EU decision shaping process. It continued to transmit its views to the Commission on a number of issues and took part in an ever-growing number of EU committees. However, the rapporteurs are concerned about the fact that the number of comments from the EFTA side to the Commission has decreased in the last four years. At the same time the number of acts incorporated into the Agreement remain high. There still appears to be a discrepancy between the number of new acts incorporated and the comments provided by the EEA EFTA States in the decision-shaping phase. It appears that the EEA EFTA States could make better use of the possibility of providing comments on future EEA legislation, even though the legislative proposals from the Commission could be characterised as a revision or an elaboration of already existing Internal Market legislation.

20. The EEA JPC has several times during the past three years discussed possible effects of the EEA EFTA States' contribution to the EU decision-shaping process. The rapporteurs appreciate that it could be difficult to "gauge objectively the effect of EFTA involvement in the EU decision shaping process" cf. the Annual Report on the functioning of the EEA Agreement in 1999. It is, however, worth noticing that failing efforts to analyse the EEA EFTA contribution to EU decision-shaping *could* lead to a

certain fatigue in providing EEA EFTA comments to the EU decision-shaping process. The EEA is a dynamic area in which all contracting parties have the right to equally shape the decisions by which they eventually must abide.

21. Articles 81b, 99, 100 and 101 of the EEA Agreement address the EEA EFTA States' legal right to participate in various EC committees. There is a long-standing tradition for the participation of the EEA EFTA States in a large amount of EC committees, be it in comitology committees, programme committees, expert committees or non-comitology committees. The rapporteurs therefore question the wording used in the report concerning the EEA EFTA States' involvement in various EU committees, and find that the term *associated with* could have been made more precise. It may give room for wrongful interpretations and cast a shadow on the legal right to participate in EC committees. The rapporteurs also question the temporary solution concerning EEA EFTA participation in the Advisory Committee on State Aid, which seems to be limited to EFTA Secretariat and EFTA Surveillance Authority only.

22. Recalling the EEA JPC resolution on the *Annual Report on the Functioning of the EEA Agreement in 1999*, adopted 24 May 2000, concerning the denied access to EEA EFTA participation in the Advisory Committee on Health and Safety at Work, the rapporteurs note the lack of information concerning possible progress made during 2000.

23. EEA EFTA participation in EU programmes plays an important part in maintaining homogeneity of the EEA. The proper legal basis for EEA EFTA participation in a specific programme is the EEA Joint Committee Decision incorporating the Decision into Protocol 31 EEA. On the EU side, the Decision is often adopted very close to the start-up of the programme. Since the decision-taking process in the EEA can only be completed after adoption on the EU side, the legal basis is often not in place when the programme activities are initiated, and the Joint Committee Decision enters into force several months after the start-up of the programme. The EEA EFTA States are excluded from participating in the management committees until a proper legal basis is in place. They are therefore prevented from participating in the crucial start-up of the programme. In this period priorities and work programmes are discussed and formulated. As in 1999, the rapporteurs share the EFTA side's concern over the situation. The rapporteurs appreciate the efforts made on both the EFTA and the EU side to speed up the procedures for the processing of Joint Committee Decisions concerning programmes, as well as the pragmatic approach taken by the Commission in 2000, but note that the problem still persists.

24. The rapporteurs note with satisfaction that briefings on enlargement, including sector specific issues were provided during the course of 2000. The rapporteurs stress the need for continuous briefings as new EU Member States will also adhere to the EEA Agreement. The rapporteurs appreciate the fact that modalities for the application of Article 128 of the EEA Agreement for the enlargement of the EEA are under consideration.

25. The rapporteurs are concerned by the average time it takes from the identification of new EEA relevant acts to the integration into the EEA Agreement;

almost a year. For the sake of homogeneity the rapid integration is vital for economic and private operators.

26. Protocol 3, concerning trade in processed agricultural goods, has still not been integrated into the EEA Agreement. The EEA JPC in the reports on the Annual Report has raised the issue in every year since 1997. The Annual Report notes that consultations between the EEA EFTA States and the Commission continued in 2000, with a revised proposal by the EFTA side submitted to the Commission in December 2000. The rapporteurs regret the lack of information on the position of the contracting parties and on the reasons why the Protocol 3 is an issue of prolonged controversy. The rapporteurs again urge the contracting parties to find a solution to this far too long outstanding Protocol during 2001, thus increasing the homogeneity in the EEA.

27. The rapporteurs note with satisfaction that an agreement was reached on a renewed contribution of the EEA EFTA States towards the reduction of social and economic disparities in Europe. The rapporteurs note that the new Financial Instrument has a five-year perspective.

28. The rapporteurs note that the Annual Report takes up two issues in separate paragraphs involving Liechtenstein; recognition of diplomas for architects from the Liechtenstein *Fachhochschule* and the implementation of a Heavy Vehicles Fee. The rapporteurs underline the importance of safeguarding the two-pillar system of the EEA Agreement with the mutual recognition of Decisions taken by either the EFTA Surveillance Authority or the Commission as one of its key elements. The question of recognition of diplomas for architects from Liechtenstein should be seen in this light. The EFTA Surveillance Authority pursuant to procedures laid down in Directive 85/384/EEC has approved the diploma in question, however the Community has reserved the right not to recognise these diplomas. This question is of the utmost importance as it highlights the competencies and powers of EFTA Surveillance Authority and the Commission respectively.

29. Regarding the Heavy Vehicles Fee that was introduced in Liechtenstein 1 January 2001, the report notes that the Community has considered the fee incompatible with EEA law. The rapporteurs regret the lack of further information in the report on this issue, and on the possible issues of principle, which are under consideration in the case of the Heavy Vehicles Fee.

30. The EEA JPC spent considerable time during 2000 and will continue this work in 2001, to assess developments in the EU and their impact on the functioning of the EEA Agreement, notably justice and home affairs, the Amsterdam and Nice treaties, the Lisbon strategy, EMU and the euro and the new working methods of soft law and the open method of co-ordination. The rapporteurs note that although the areas are not directly EEA relevant, no EU developments outside the scope of the Internal Market are mentioned in the Annual Report. The rapporteurs note that these developments might in the medium and long-term affect the functioning of the EEA Agreement

IV THE EEA JPC AND ITS RESOLUTIONS

31. The EEA JPC's institutional relationship with the EEA Joint Committee and the EEA Council has been good. The current practice of distribution of Joint Committee statements on JPC resolutions before JPC meetings makes it possible for members to prepare themselves for a dialogue with Joint Committee representatives, and is highly appreciated. The responses provided by the President-in-Office of the EEA Joint Committee and by the representatives of the EEA Council have been comprehensive, allowing ample time for discussion and an exchange of views.

32. The EEA Agreement has completed its first seven years of operation, having entered into force on 1 January 1994. The EEA JPC is mindful of its role as a contributor to a better understanding between the Community and EFTA States in the fields covered by the Agreement. It has a democratic parliamentary control function and has the right to scrutinise all EC legislation applying to the EEA as well as its implementation. The EEA JPC welcomes progress made on many of its resolutions during 2000. The rapporteurs highlight that the EU is rapidly changing both its scope of issues covered and its working methods, and that these developments could influence the functioning of the EEA Agreement, certainly from a political point of view.

RESOLUTION**On the Annual Report on the Functioning of the EEA Agreement in 2000**

The Joint Parliamentary Committee of the European Economic Area:

- A. in accordance with its task laid out by the EEA Agreement (Article 95, paragraph 4),
- B. emphasising that the EEA EFTA States are not third countries in matters concerning the internal market, but full participants,
- C. mindful of the importance of maintaining homogeneity within the EEA,
- D. noting that the information and consultation process provided for by the EEA Agreement is an essential tool for the EFTA States for the shaping of common rules,
- E. recalling its resolution on the functioning of the EEA in 1994 (adopted 29 May 1995), in 1995 (adopted 3 June 1996), in 1996 (adopted 14 April 1997) in 1997 (adopted 25 May 1998) and in 1999 (adopted 16 March 1999), and in 2000 (adopted 24 May 2000),
 1. welcomes the Annual Report of the EEA Joint Committee for 2000 and agrees with the general assessment that the EEA is functioning satisfactory;
 2. appreciates the statement delivered by the President-in-office of the EEA Joint Committee at the 14th EEA JPC, following the JPC resolutions adopted at the 13th meeting of the EEA JPC concerning the functioning of the EEA Agreement in 1999, homogeneity in the EEA and Justice and Home Affairs and the EEA;
 3. welcomes the high number of acts incorporated into the EEA Agreement during 2000;
 4. calls on the contracting parties to eliminate long outstanding backlog in the area of free movement of goods by the end of 2001, and calls on the contracting parties to reassume the incorporation of veterinary acquis as soon as possible. If this is not achieved, the Joint Committee is to give a special report to the EEA JPC at its 18th meeting in the Spring of 2002;
 5. reiterates its warning that incompleteness in the homogeneity of the Internal Market within the EEA at the time of the next enlargement of the EU could have serious consequences for the functioning of the market;
 6. reiterates its concern about the steady decrease during the past few years in the number of EFTA comments on EC legislation which have been submitted to the Commission, and urges the EEA EFTA States to take actions with a view to

- enhanced participation in the EEA decision-shaping process at the earliest possible stage in the legislative process;
7. welcomes the publication of Joint Committee Decisions immediately after their adoption in order to increase transparency;
 8. reiterates the need to make more resources available for Icelandic and Norwegian translations in general, and in the veterinary field especially, both in the EFTA Secretariat and in the capitals;
 9. welcomes the fact that the year 2000 represented a turning point as constitutional procedures were completed for all Joint Committee Decisions where the six-month delay had expired;
 10. notes with concern that the average time from the identification to the integration of new acts into the Agreement was almost one year, and calls upon the contracting parties to identify possible bottle-necks and to speed up the process;
 11. refers to its resolutions on the finalisation of Protocol 3 dated 25 May 1998 and 24 May 2000, and calls again on the contracting parties to finalise Protocol 3 at the earliest opportunity and to report on developments in this area to the EEA JPC at its 17th meeting in the Autumn of 2001;
 12. welcomes the solution found with regard to the new Financial Instrument, and notes that the new Instrument expires at the end of 2003;
 13. underlines the importance of safe-guarding the basic principle of the two-pillar system as a cornerstone in the EEA co-operation, and calls on the contracting parties to find a permanent solution to the problem concerning the recognition of diplomas throughout the EEA for architects from the Liechtenstein *Fachhochschule*;
 14. calls on the EEA Joint Committee to report on the issues of principle regarding the Heavy Vehicles Fee in Liechtenstein at the 17th meeting of the EEA JPC in the Autumn of 2001, and urges in the meanwhile the contracting parties to find a quick solution to the issue;
 15. regrets the exclusion of the EEA EFTA States in some programme management committees in the crucial, initial stages of a programme, but appreciates the pragmatic approach taken by the Commission in certain cases;
 16. welcomes the EEA EFTA States' participation in around 400 EC committees, welcomes the tentative solution which will allow representatives from the EFTA Secretariat and the EFTA Surveillance Authority to be involved in the work of the Commission's Advisory Committee on State Aid but urges the contracting parties to find a permanent solution regarding EEA EFTA participation in the Committee;

17. calls on the Joint Committee to inform the EEA JPC on the modalities of implementing Article 128 of the EEA Agreement on enlargement of the EEA at its 17th meeting in the Autumn of 2001;
 18. emphasises that the EEA Agreement is a dynamic Agreement evolving in a changing Europe, and calls on the EEA Council and the EEA Joint Committee to address recent and future developments in the EU and the possible impact on the EEA Agreement, and to inform the EEA JPC.
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**RECOMMENDATIONS ADOPTED AT THE FOURTEENTH MEETING
OF THE EEA JPC, 24-25 MAY 2001**

Overview and developments noted on specific recommendations

RESOLUTION

On the Annual Report on the functioning of the EEA Agreement in 1999

The Joint Parliamentary Committee of the European Economic Area:

19. welcomes the report of the EEA Joint Committee for 1999 and agrees with the general assessment that the EEA is functioning satisfactory;
20. welcomes the measures taken to enhance the process of integrating EU legislation into the EEA Agreement, and welcomes the accelerated rate and speed of decision-taking;
21. calls on the contracting parties to eliminate long outstanding backlog by the end of 2000. If this is not achieved, the Joint Committee is to give a special report to the JPC in the Spring of 2001;
The backlog is still of concern, and has also been addressed in the Annual Report for 2000.
22. calls for an elaboration of the problematic and complex issues mentioned in the Annual Report, particular the constitutional issues in the EEA EFTA States, but welcomes the new practice of indicating in a footnote whether or not the entry into force is subject to fulfilment of constitutional requirements;
An oral briefing was given by the Joint Committee at the JPC meeting in November 2000.
23. warns that any incompleteness in the homogeneity of the Single Market within the EEA at the time of the next enlargement of the EU could have serious consequences for the functioning of the market;
24. is concerned about the reduced number of EFTA comments on EC legislation which were submitted to the Commission in 1999, and urges the EEA EFTA States to take actions with a view to enhanced participation in the EEA decision-shaping process;
The issue is still of concern as there has been a steady decrease of EFTA comments during the past few years.
25. welcomes EFTA's commitment to make more resources available for Icelandic and Norwegian translations both in the EFTA Secretariat and in the capitals, but is concerned that late translations delay the publication of Joint Committee Decisions;

Joint Committee Decisions are published immediately after their adoption without the underlying legal acts in Icelandic and Norwegian, allowing a speedier publication. These new procedures are of a temporary nature.

26. welcomes the political dialogue between EU and EEA EFTA Ministers in the field of environment, and encourages the two sides to engage in political talks in other areas;
EEA EFTA Ministers were invited to the informal Council meetings on Internal Market and Consumer Affairs in Lund in April 2001 and on Culture in Falun in May 2001.
27. notes with satisfaction the adoption of the additional package in the veterinary field, following the adoption of Annex I in 1998;
28. refers to its resolution on the finalisation of Protocol 3 dated 25 May 1998 and deplors the lack of progress and urges the contracting parties to finalise Protocol 3 at the earliest opportunity and to report in detail on developments in this area to the EEA JPC at its 15th meeting in the Autumn of 2000;
The issue is still not settled.
29. appreciates the statement delivered by the President-in-office of the EEA Joint Committee at the 13th EEA JPC, following the JPC resolutions adopted at the 12th meeting of the EEA JPC concerning the functioning of the EEA Agreement in 1998, homogeneity in the EEA, consumer issues, enlargement and food safety;
30. urges the contracting partners to find a quick solution as regards the new Financial Instrument to secure the continued good functioning of the EEA Agreement;
Achieved.
31. welcomes the solution found regarding free movement of persons and Liechtenstein, which has been a concern of the EEA JPC for a number of years;
32. calls on the Joint Committee to continue to inform the JPC about possible impacts on the EEA Agreement in view of the ratification of the Amsterdam Treaty, and to continue to explore possible impacts on the Agreement during the pre-accession phase of the enlargement of the EU/EEA;
Continuous process.
33. regrets the fact that EU programmes are often adopted close to their planned commencement, that gives little time for the completion of Joint Committee procedures and constitutional procedures in the EEA EFTA States, thus in one particular case leading to the exclusion of EFTA participation in the management of the programme until the entry into force of the Joint Committee Decision, and urges the Commission to find a solution concerning the EEA EFTA States' participation in the management of Community programmes with a view to avoiding similar cases in the future;
The issue is still of concern, but seems to be reduced.

34. welcomes the EEA EFTA States' participation in the Advisory Committee on Social Security, but regrets the fact that the EEA EFTA States' were denied access to the Advisory Committee on State Aid.
A temporary solution for participation in the Advisory Committee on State Aid has been reached.

RESOLUTION

On Justice and Home Affairs and the EEA

The Joint Parliamentary Committee of the European Economic Area:

1. Recognises the need to continuously adapt agreements between the EEA EFTA States and the EU to the developments within the EU in justice and home affairs. The objective of these adaptations is to prevent the creation of barriers of free movement of persons in the EEA which could easily be unintended consequences of this development;
Justice and home affairs are not part of the EEA Agreement. One or several EEA EFTA States seek bilateral agreements as they see fit e.g. on Schengen, Europol and the Dublin Convention.
2. Calls on the EEA EFTA States to consider carefully the new Commission proposals for legislation on third country nationals who are legally residing in the EU and the fact that they will not enjoy the same rights in the EEA EFTA States as in the EU States when these proposals are adopted and the distortion it could have on the common EEA labour market;
The proposals are still pending adoption by the EU.
3. Welcomes the new agreement of 18 May 1999 between the European Council and Norway and Iceland on the association of Norway and Iceland with the implementation, application and development of the Schengen *acquis*;
Entry into force of the Schengen Agreement in March 2001.
4. Recognises the need to involve the European Parliament in the joint committee provided for in the agreement between the European Council and Norway and Iceland;
According to a joint declaration in the Schengen Agreement between the EU and Norway and Iceland, parliamentary cooperation in this field is encouraged. Schengen related issues may be addressed through existing inter-parliamentary delegations between the EP and Norway and Iceland respectively.
5. Welcomes the new arrangements with Liechtenstein in the area of freedom of movement;
6. Welcomes cooperation with Norway in the area of measures to combat drugs, and the possible association of Iceland;
Combating trade in drugs is a part of the mandate of the Europol Convention (see 10)

7. Welcomes the review of the Brussels and Lugano agreements on judicial cooperation, but notes that the area of cooperation on jurisdiction in civil matters fall under the EC Treaty with the entry into force of the Treaty of Amsterdam;
8. Welcomes the intention to begin preparations and negotiations with Norway and Iceland on an agreement paralleling the Dublin Convention;
The Agreement entered into force in March 2001.
9. Welcomes the agreement on customs cooperation concluded at ambassadorial level between the European Community and Norway on 10 April 1997;
10. Recognises the need to work towards cooperation between Europol and the EFTA States;
A cooperation agreement between Europol and Norway and Iceland is expected to be signed in June 2001.
11. Calls on the EEA EFTA States to closely monitor all initiatives taken by the EU in the field of justice and home affairs and to assess the impact on the EEA Agreement.
The latest developments in the field of justice and home affairs and their possible impact on the EEA have been addressed in the Chairmen's paper on the Treaty of Nice for the JPC meeting June 2001.

RESOLUTION

On Homogeneity in the European Economic Area

The Joint Parliamentary Committee of the European Economic Area:

1. Urges the EFTA Surveillance Authority and the Commission to be vigilant in their roles as guardians of the Single Market in the light of developments in the EU, such as the single European currency, which affect the functioning of the EEA and the Single Market but where no institutional links exist between the EEA EFTA States and the EU;
2. Urges the EU Member States and the EEA EFTA States to ensure that the adoption of Single Market rules is as near completion as possible at the time of the next EU/EEA Enlargement;
3. Notes with satisfaction that an informal meeting of EU and EEA EFTA Ministers of Environment has taken place and calls on the governments of the EEA States to hold meetings at political level also in other areas where EU cooperation has been strengthened by the Maastricht and Amsterdam Treaties;
EEA EFTA Ministers were invited to participate at informal Council meetings in Lund (Internal Market and Consumer Affairs) and Falun (Culture) in spring 2001.
4. Calls on the EFTA side to find ways to take the strengthened parliamentary dimension on the EU side into account for the decision shaping under the EEA;

On-going discussions in the EFTA States on ways to strengthen the EFTA involvement in EP decision-shaping.

5. Calls on the EEA EFTA side to examine closely EFTA participation in EC Committees, with a view to improve decision-shaping efforts in the future;
A resolution was adopted by the JPC in November 2000 on EFTA participation in EC committees, and a draft resolution on comitology will be presented at the JPC meeting in June 2001.
6. Urges the EEA EFTA side to follow closely the target actions of the new Strategy for the Internal Market, also those not directly relevant to the EEA Agreement, and to consider necessary complementary actions;
EFTA is preparing a note on the EFTA follow-up of actions in the 2001 Review of the Internal Market Strategy. Contribution by the EFTA States on the Lisbon process to the Stockholm European Council in March 2001.
7. Notes that significant progress on implementing Single Market Directives has been reported in the Single Market Scoreboards in November 1999;
8. Welcomes the regular and simultaneous publication of the Single Market Scoreboards, both from the Commission and the EFTA Surveillance Authority and notes that they contain comparable figures for many of the indicators shown;
9. Calls on the Commission and the EFTA Surveillance Authority to include all available and relevant data on the EEA EFTA States in the corresponding sections of the Commission's Scoreboard in order to improve transparency;
The EEA EFTA States are included in only one table in the latest Commission Scoreboard, i.e. the overall transposition table.
10. Calls on the EFTA Surveillance Authority to expand the assessment of the Single Market performance of the EEA EFTA States, in particular regarding feedback from citizens and businesses, using monitoring and reporting methods, which allow comparison and co-publication with the Commission's Scoreboard; The Commission has invited the EEA EFTA States to consider participation in the Business Feedback Mechanism, which operates through contracts with a large number of Euro Info Centres. The aim of the mechanism is to identify obstacles experienced by SMEs and enterprises in the implementation and functioning of the internal market. While Iceland is still looking into the issue, Norway has responded favourably to the Commission's offer and has entered into discussions on practical arrangements.
11. Urges the Commission and the EFTA Surveillance Authority to maintain the pressure on the EEA States to eliminate the backlog of transposition of Single Market legislation into national laws and regulations;
According to the Single Market Scoreboard for the EFTA States no. 8, published in May 2001, Liechtenstein has steadily reduced its transposition deficit i.e. whether the EFTA States have fulfilled their obligations relating

to timely implementation of Single Market directives. The performances of Norway and Iceland are regarded as unsatisfactory.

12. Calls on the EEA Joint Committee to continue its efforts to reduce back-logs incorporating EEA relevant legislation into the Agreement;
The backlog on the EFTA side increased in 2000.
13. Welcomes increased resources for translation of Joint Committee Decisions into Icelandic and Norwegian but urges the EEA EFTA States to secure the necessary resources to eliminate the backlog of translation of legal acts;
Translation delays seem to an issue of concern cf. the JPC draft resolution on the Annual Report 2000.
14. Notes with concern the slow pace of implementation of recent legislation and the poor prospects for complete elimination of the transposition backlog;
Liechtenstein in particular has improved its performance. (see 11 and 15)
15. Calls on EU Member States and the EEA EFTA States to honour their obligations and to accelerate the implementation of Internal Market legislation in order to bring the transposition deficit down;
The Single Market Scoreboard (May 2001) shows that Liechtenstein holds the 4th place with regard to transposition deficit (see 11) with a deficit of 1.6%. The aim set by the Stockholm European Council in March 2001 is 1.5%. In a comparison between the 18 EEA States, Iceland with a deficit of 3.6% and Norway with a deficit of 3.8% are in 16th and 17th place with only Greece having a higher transposition deficit. Norway's performance has slightly deteriorated since the last Scoreboard (November 2000), whereas both Iceland and Liechtenstein have reduced their transposition deficit during the same period
16. Urges the Commission and the EFTA Surveillance Authority to maintain similar policies when making decisions to initiate infringement proceedings;
17. Notes with concern that infringement activity in the EEA remains relatively high and disputes continue to take too long to resolve;
The number of letters of formal notice issued by ESA reached a high in 2000. However, the number of reasoned opinions has decreased substantially since 1998, thereby indicating swifter settlement of disputes.
18. Welcomes the inclusion of statistics concerning the EFTA States' infringement procedures in the Commission's 7th Scoreboard and notes with satisfaction that the EFTA Surveillance Authority's 7th Scoreboard breaks down infringement statistics by sectors;
The practice has continued.
19. Calls on the EEA Council to urge the governments of the eighteen EEA States to undertake efforts to increase public awareness of the existence and role of Single Market Co-ordination Centres and Contact Points.

EFTA is preparing a note on the follow-up of the individual actions in the 2001 Review of the Internal Market Strategy, in which the issue of Internal Market Centres will be addressed. The EEA EFTA States fully participate in the cooperation established between the EU Member States with regard to Internal Market Contacts Points.

**ANNUAL REPORT OF THE JOINT COMMITTEE FOR THE YEAR 2000 TO
THE EEA COUNCIL ON THE FUNCTIONING OF THE EEA AGREEMENT**

(ARTICLE 94(4))

General overview

1. The EEA Joint Committee met 11 times in 2000 and adopted 114 Decisions, incorporating 217 acts. The Committee held consultations on a number of important issues.
2. This report makes a general assessment of the work of the EEA Joint Committee in 2000, looking first at decision-making procedures and then at the decision shaping process. A sector-by-sector review of activities under the EEA Joint Committee with particular reference to new legislation incorporated into the EEA Agreement is attached at Annex I.

Decision-making

Rate of integration of EU acts

3. The attached overview of decision-making in the EEA (Annex II) shows the number of legal acts from their adoption on the EU side until they are fully integrated into the EEA Agreement. The figures establish that 114 Joint Committee Decisions were adopted in 2000. An average of 11 Decisions were adopted per working month, compared to 17 in 1999, 11 in 1998, and nine in 1997. The average number of legal acts incorporated per working month was 22, compared to 24 in 1999, 16 in 1998 and 13 in 1997. No veterinary acts were incorporated into the Agreement in 2000 in light of the ongoing discussions on simplified procedures for integrating certain acts.
4. As seen from the above figures, the number of acts integrated into the Agreement during 2000 is slightly lower than the preceding year, but still well above previous years. The overview of decision-making also shows an increase in the number of EU acts that are being considered on the EFTA side, while the number of acts under final clearance on the Community side has decreased. With the exception of certain acts in the field of free movement of goods, this was not due to problems of substance, but rather to some procedural aspects in the field of technical barriers to trade, as well as to the inclusion of a considerable number of existing EU acts in the field of statistics.
5. A list of Joint Committee Decisions adopted by the EEA Joint Committee in 2000 is attached at Annex III.

Homogeneity

6. The EEA, pursuing the objective of establishing and maintaining a homogeneous Internal Market, based on common rules and equal conditions for competition, faces new challenges when the enlargement process adds new countries to those who commit themselves to playing by these rules. With this additional perspective the Joint Committee held extensive discussions regarding certain long outstanding acts in the field of free movement of goods - related to foodstuffs, energy and intellectual property. The Commission urged its EEA partners to put forward draft decisions so that joint consideration could be undertaken swiftly. The EFTA side worked actively to finalise procedures for incorporating the outstanding acquis and a draft Joint Committee Decision on the Gas market Directive was submitted in October (the first Decision regarding food additives was submitted in January 2001).

7. With regard to the fulfilment of constitutional requirements in the EEA EFTA States, 2000 saw a turning point as constitutional procedures were completed for all Decisions where the six-month delay had expired.

Transparency

8. In order to improve transparency the Joint Committee adopted at the beginning of 2000 a new practice of indicating in a footnote whether or not the entry into force was subject to fulfilment of constitutional requirements. Moreover, in order to allow for publication of Joint Committee Decisions immediately after their adoption, the Joint Committee amended the provision in Joint Committee Decisions on authentication of the Norwegian and Icelandic language versions of the Community acts incorporated into the Agreement. This allowed for Decisions to be published without the underlying legal acts in Icelandic and Norwegian as of March 2000. The Committee noted that the new procedures were of temporary nature and that efforts would be made to arrive at a permanent solution.

EEA EFTA participation in EU Programmes

9. The EFTA side has repeatedly expressed concern over their participation in new or renewed EU programmes, pending the establishment of the formal legal basis. EU programmes are often only adopted very close to their planned commencement, thus giving little time for the completion of Joint Committee procedures and constitutional procedures in the EEA EFTA States where necessary. On the other hand, the EEA EFTA States appreciate the pragmatic approach taken by the Commission in 2000 with regard to avoiding interruption of EEA EFTA participation in the work of EU programmes. Efforts have been made both on the EFTA side and the EU side to speed up the procedures for the processing of Joint Committee Decisions concerning programmes.

Decision shaping

10. The EEA EFTA States continued actively to contribute written comments and opinions through the information and consultation procedures. The Joint Committee took note of EFTA Comments on the following Community texts:

- Commission communication on e-Learning - Designing Tomorrow's Education (COM (2000) 318)
- Commission White Paper on Environmental Liability,(COM (2000) 66 final)
- Draft directive of 10 May 2000 on the promotion of electricity from renewable energy sources in the internal electricity market (COM/00/279)
- Discussion paper on EEA related issues raised by the modernisation of the rules implementing Articles 81 and 82 of the EC Treaty
- Commission proposal for a Directive of the European Parliament and of the Council amending Council Directive 91/308/EEC of 10 June 1991 on prevention of the use of the financial system for the purpose of money laundering
- The establishment of a European Aviation Safety Authority (EASA)
- Commission proposal for the Seventh amendment of Council Directive 76/768/EEC on cosmetics (COM (2000) 189 final)
- Commission proposal for a Recommendation of the European Parliament and of the Council on Mobility within the Community for students, persons undergoing training, young volunteers, teachers and trainers
- Commission proposal for a Recommendation of the European Parliament and of the Council on European co-operation in quality evaluation in school education
- Commission Communication on the safety of the sea-borne oil trade (COM (2000) 142 final)
- Commission White Paper on Food Safety
- Commission's initiative: "*eEurope* - an Information Society for All"
- Commission proposal for a European Parliament and Council Directive combating late payment in commercial transactions
- Commission proposal for a European Parliament and Council Decision on the European Year of Languages 2001
- Commission Communication on the Competitiveness of European Enterprises in the Face of Globalisation - how can it be encouraged?

11. EEA EFTA experts and representatives were associated with the work of a wide range of EU committees and working groups during 2000. In total, they were associated with the work of approximately 400 committees and working groups. In the field of free movement of goods, EEA EFTA experts were invited to contribute to the work of 134 committees and expert groups, out of which 89 fell under Art. 99 of the Agreement and 45 under Art. 100. In the area of free movement of services and capital movements, EEA EFTA experts were linked to 63 groups and committees – 43 of which were comitology (including three programme committees) and 20 expert groups. In the field of free movement of persons, EEA EFTA experts were associated with the work of 13 committees, most of them dealing with the mutual recognition of diplomas under Art. 100. Finally, in the flanking and horizontal policies, EEA EFTA experts participated in 29 programme committees, were linked to the work of 21 other comitology committees and participated in the work of about 15 expert groups under Art. 99. In the field of

statistics, EEA EFTA experts contributed to the work of 110 different fora, 70 of which were working groups, 11 committees, 20 task forces and 10 other fora.

Institutional co-operation under the EEA

The EEA Consultative Committee (EEA-CC)

12. The EEA Consultative Committee (EEA-CC) held its annual meeting in June 2000 in Zurich. The main points on the agenda were EEA developments, the implications of enlargement on the Internal Market, the transition to the euro, the EU's Northern Dimension, as well as environment and energy. Resolutions were adopted on the last two topics and forwarded to the EEA Council for its consideration. For the next EEA-CC meeting in 2001, it was decided to prepare resolutions on three new topics: Free movement of persons in the context of enlargement; the European Social Agenda; and the knowledge-based society – *eEurope*.

EEA Joint Parliamentary Committee (EEA JPC)

13. The EEA Joint Parliamentary Committee (EEA JPC) held two meetings in 2000, in Oslo on 24-25 May and in Brussels on 27-28 November. As at previous meetings, the EEA JPC engaged in a dialogue with the EEA Council, the EEA Joint Committee and the EFTA Surveillance Authority on the functioning of the EEA and on progress regarding prior resolutions of the JPC. The EEA JPC discussed and adopted resolutions on the following topics:

- homogeneity of the Single Market within the EEA
- justice and home affairs
- the functioning of the EEA Agreement during 1999
- EEA EFTA participation in EU programmes
- e-commerce legislation in the EEA

These resolutions were forwarded to the EEA Council.

Enlargement of the EU and the EEA

14. Based on previous engagements by the EU to keep the EEA EFTA States fully and regularly informed of the enlargement process, the Commission DG Enlargement provided two comprehensive briefings to the Joint Committee in the course of 2000. In addition, a number of sector specific briefings were also provided in the Joint Committee substructure on the screening and negotiation processes in the areas of free movement of goods, competition policy, financial services and transport. Preparations have started for an assessment of modalities of implementing Article 128 of the EEA Agreement on enlargement of the EEA.

The EEA Financial Instrument

15. Agreement was reached on a new arrangement regarding the contribution of the EEA EFTA States towards reducing the social and economic disparities in Europe. The new EEA Financial Instrument was established by Joint Committee Decision No 47/2000 of 22 May 2000. The Decision laid down the operating modalities for implementing the new instrument that will make 119.6 million euros available over the five-year period from 1999 to 2003 for projects in Greece, Ireland, Northern Ireland, Portugal and Spain. The Financial Instrument Committee was constituted in November 2000 and has launched practical preparations for allocating the funds.

Concluding remarks

16. Overall, the European Economic Area functions well. Over 3800 legal acts are applied in the same way in the 18 Member States of the EEA. The exceptions to this homogeneity are few, but nevertheless important enough to warrant new efforts for arriving at a level playing field and eliminating potential uncertainty for individuals and economic operators.

17. In 2000 the Joint Committee increased the transparency of its decision-making by taking measures to publish its decisions promptly and to give accurate information about their entry into force. This will, undoubtedly, reduce the uncertainty concerning the actual situation.

18. The number of acts integrated into the EEA Agreement in 2000 fell short of the number of new acts identified for integration. The average time from identification to integration was almost a year. This is unsatisfactory, and the Joint Committee will seek to address this situation in 2001.

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ACTIVITIES BY SUBSTANCE AREA DURING 2000

Free movement of goods

Technical regulations, standards, testing and certification

1. The Joint Committee adopted 41 Decisions amending Annex II and Protocol 47, incorporating a total of 98 new acts into the Agreement. Most of the new acts were related to trade in foodstuffs, construction products, motor vehicles, information technology, and maximum residue limits of veterinary medicinal products in food. Annex II and Protocol 47 to the Agreement now contain more than 1 400 EU acts.
2. Over the year, experts from EEA EFTA States contributed to the work of more than one hundred committees, working groups and other bodies set up by the Commission in the field of technical barriers to trade.

EMEA and medicinal product legislation

3. The adoption of Joint Committee Decision No 74/1999 laid down the conditions for EEA EFTA States' participation in the European Agency for Evaluation of Medicinal Products (EMEA). The Decision entered into force on 1 January 2000 and lists of decisions approving medicinal products in Iceland and Norway during 2000 were being considered and finally noted in the Joint Committee meeting on 23 February 2001.

Mutual Recognition Agreements

4. A Mutual Recognition Agreement (MRA), in relation to conformity assessment, gives an exporting country the right to test and certify products according to the importing countries' requirements, thus avoiding duplication of testing and certification by the importing country and simplifying trade.
5. Protocol 12 of the EEA Agreement provides that the Community negotiates MRAs with third countries on the basis that the third countries concerned will conclude parallel agreements with the EEA EFTA States, equivalent to those concluded with the Community. In line with the EU's conclusion of MRAs with Australia, New Zealand, Canada and the US, parallel agreements between the EEA EFTA States and Australia and New Zealand entered into force on 1 March and 1 July 2000. An EEA EFTA Agreement with Canada was signed on 4 July 2000.

6. EFTA also had contacts with several Central and Eastern European countries (CEEC) with a view to negotiating European Assessment Agreements. These Agreements are similar to the protocols on European Conformity Assessment Agreements negotiated by the EU, whereby the concept of MRAs is taken a step further in that the country concerned will harmonise its sectoral legislation according to the provisions in the EEA Agreement. The EU's agreements are part of the pre-accession strategy and imply an extension of the Internal Market for the product sector covered by an MRA with the CEEC concerned.

Veterinary matters

7. New, simplified procedures were designed for the application in the EFTA pillar of certain acts to be taken note of by the EEA Joint Committee instead of being incorporated into the Agreement by an EEA Joint Committee Decision. These procedures remain to be adopted by the Joint Committee. An agreement was also reached with regard to a new list of border inspection posts in Iceland and Norway and future procedures for amending this list. Discussions on finding a permanent solution to the mutual recognition of Decisions taken by the EFTA Surveillance Authority and the Commission will continue in 2001. While awaiting final agreement on the new procedures for integrating certain veterinary acts, no acts in this field were incorporated into the EEA Agreement during 2000.

Feedingstuffs

8. One Joint Committee Decision integrating 32 EU acts in the field of feedingstuffs from 1998 and 1999 was incorporated into the Agreement (No 71/2000). EEA EFTA experts participated actively in the work of the EU Standing Committee on Feedingstuffs and its sub-groups and EFTA Comments were submitted on various topics in the area of feedingstuffs.

Competition

9. Commission Regulation (EC) No 2790/1999 exempting certain exclusive agreements for sale and distribution of products ("vertical agreements and concerted practices") from the prohibition against restrictive business practices, was incorporated into the Agreement in January 2000 (Joint Committee Decision No 18/2000). Council Regulation (EC) No 1216/1999 on procedural competition rules was incorporated both into the EEA Agreement and protocol 4 of the Surveillance and Court Agreement in May 2000. Finally, Commission Regulations (EC) Nos 2658/2000 and 2659/2000 exempting certain categories of specialisation agreements and research and development agreements from the prohibition against restrictive business practices were adopted by the Commission on 29 November 2000, and both acts were incorporated into the Agreement already in December 2000, ensuring simultaneous entry into force in the whole European Economic Area on 1 January 2001.

State aid

10. Following requests by the EEA EFTA States to participate in the Commission's Advisory Committee on State Aid, progress was made during 2000 towards a tentative solution that would allow representatives from the EFTA Secretariat and the EFTA Surveillance Authority to be involved in the work of the Committee.

Energy

11. The Joint Committee Decision on the internal market in electricity entered into force in the EEA EFTA States on 1 July 2000. A draft Joint Committee Decision on the Directive on the internal market in natural gas was handed over to the Commission in October 2000. The EEA EFTA States participated in the implementing groups for the Electricity and Gas Directives during 2000.

Intellectual property

12. Joint Committee Decision No 21/2000 incorporated Directive 98/71/EC on the legal protection of designs into the Agreement in February 2000. At the end of the year, the EEA EFTA States were still considering Directive 98/44/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council on the legal protection of biotechnological inventions, adopted by the EU on 6 July 1998.

Internal Market Advisory Committee (IMAC)

13. The EEA EFTA experts participated actively in the work of IMAC, where the main issues were the Simplification of Legislation (SLIM), business test panels, action on market surveillance and the scoreboard for the implementation of Community legislation.

Protocol 3 – Processed agricultural products

14. Consultations between the EEA EFTA States and the Commission on the completion of Protocol 3 (trade in processed agricultural products) continued in 2000. A revised proposal by the EFTA side was submitted in December 2000 and is being examined by the EU side.

Protocol 9 – Trade in fish and other marine products

15. Following the report submitted by the EFTA side in November 1999 concerning Protocol 9 (trade in fish and other marine products), a response by the Commission was conveyed to the EFTA side in April 2000. Talks at expert level with a view to initiating further discussions in this area have been scheduled for mid 2001.

- *Rules of origin – Protocol 4*

Several amendments to Protocol 4 were formally adopted by the EEA Joint Committee in December 2000 and entered into force on 1 January 2001.

Free movement of capital and services

16. In the field of free movement of capital and services, 17 acts were incorporated into the EEA Agreement.

Financial services and company law

17. Six new legislative acts were integrated into Annex IX (Financial services) but none into Annex XXII (Company law) in 2000. EFTA experts continued to participate in a number of working groups assisting the Commission in preparing new legislative proposals, and attended as observers meetings of the Banking Advisory Committee, the Insurance Committee and the High Level Securities Supervisors Committee.

New Technology services

- *Information and telecommunication services*

18. Two new legislative acts were integrated into Annex XI (Telecommunication services) in 2000: Directive 1999/93/EC on electronic signatures (Decision No 66/2000) and Directive 2000/31/EC on electronic commerce (Decision No 91/2000). The EEA EFTA States also monitor the *eEurope* Action Plan closely and take appropriate domestic actions.

- *Audiovisual services*

19. No new legislative acts were integrated into Annex X (Audiovisual services) in 2000. The EEA Joint Committee concluded the revision of the exception to Council Directive 89/885/EEC by a Decision by which the EEA EFTA States can continue to scramble only advertisements for alcoholic beverages broadcasted by TV stations that especially target EFTA States. The EEA EFTA States continued their participation in the Contact Committee of the Television without Frontiers Directive. The EEA EFTA States also decided to ask for participation in the Media Plus programme, which is a follow-up of the Media II programme.

Transport

20. Eight legal acts in the field of transport were incorporated into the Agreement in the course of 2000. EEA EFTA experts participated actively in the various EU

expert meetings and were associated with the work of comitology committees chaired by the Commission.

21. The EEA EFTA States followed closely the deliberations in the EU on new maritime safety legislation (ERIKA I and II), providing formal and informal comments. Similarly, concerning the proposal for a European Aviation Safety Agency (EASA) the EEA EFTA States kept in close contact with the Commission, and suggested in a formal comment that a dialogue on their participation be initiated at an early date.

22. The EEA EFTA States were invited to participate in the definition phase of the Galileo project through its Steering Committee. Funds from EEA EFTA States were dedicated to the project via the 5th Framework programme and through the European Space Agency.

23. Liechtenstein introduced a Heavy Vehicles Fee to be implemented on 1 January 2001. The Community indicated that it considered the system incompatible with the EEA.

Free Movement of Persons

24. In the field of free movement of persons, 13 acts were integrated into the Agreement.

Social security

25. The Joint Committee integrated into the Agreement eight legislative acts in the domain of Social Security. During the year, the EEA EFTA States' participation in MISSOC (Mutual Information System on Social Protection) was formalised through the signing of contracts between the Agency responsible for the technical assistance to MISSOC and each of the EEA EFTA States.

Mutual recognition of diplomas

26. Directives 99/42/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council (Third general system for recognition of diplomas) and 2000/5/EC amending Directive 93/16/EEC concerning the free movement of doctors were integrated into the Agreement. EEA EFTA experts continued to participate in the meetings of the Co-ordinators Group (dealing with the general systems for recognition of diplomas) and the "Article 15" Committee (whose aim is to amend Annexes C and D of Council Directive 92/51/EEC).

27. Liechtenstein communicated a diploma for architects from the Fach-Hochschule Liechtenstein to the EFTA Surveillance Authority and the Contracting Parties pursuant to Directive 85/384/EEC. The diploma met no opposition within the EFTA pillar before the time limit set under the Directive. However, the Community

side, having expressed doubts as to whether it met these criteria, reserved the right not to recognise the Diploma in question.

Employment

28. As a follow-up to the termination of the EU programme on analysis, research and cooperation in the field of employment and labour market in 2000, EFTA experts considered a draft Joint Committee Decision to incorporate the programme on incentive measures in the field of employment into the Agreement. The EEA EFTA States continued to participate in the MISEP (Mutual information system on employment policies) Correspondents' Group and they were also invited to the meetings of the Heads of Public Employment Services.

Horizontal and Flanking Policies

29. In the field of horizontal and flanking policies, 48 acts were incorporated into the Agreement in 2000 through the adoption of 35 Joint Committee Decisions. Seventeen of these Decisions concerned participation in newly adopted Community programmes and efforts were made to allow for participation of representatives from EEA EFTA States in the related programme committees as early as possible.

Budgetary matters

30. Following a visit of EEA EFTA delegations and members of the EFTA Board of Auditors to the European Court of Auditors, the Court started working on a formal proposal for a more regular and structured cooperation with the national audit institutions of the EEA EFTA States regarding EU funds to which the EEA EFTA States contribute.

Social policy

31. The Joint Committee adopted decisions to integrate eight acts in the area of social policy into the Agreement. One decision concerned the area of equal opportunities and family policy (the Daphne programme), two concerned directives in the field of labour law, two directives on health and safety at work, and three related to public health programmes. The EEA EFTA States continued their participation as observers in a number of Community activities. The EEA EFTA States were invited to an EU/US conference on health and safety at work.

Consumer protection

32. Two Joint Committee Decisions were adopted to incorporate the Directive on the sale of consumer goods and associated guarantees as well as the Commission Recommendation on the principles applicable to the bodies responsible for out-of-

court settlement of consumer disputes. The EEA EFTA States continued to attend meetings of the Expert Group on Commercial Communications.

Research and development

33. The EEA EFTA States' representatives continued to participate in each of the management committees of the seven specific programmes of the Fifth Framework Programme for Research, Technological Development and Demonstration Activities (1998-2002). In the EU Scientific and Technical Research Committee (CREST), the EEA EFTA States participated in the discussions of the Commission's Working Papers on the European Research Area and the Sixth Framework Programme for Research and Development.

Education, training and youth

34. In early 2000, the Decisions were taken by the Joint Committee to include the second phase of the programmes Socrates (higher education) and Leonardo da Vinci (vocational training) in Protocol 31 of the Agreement. The new Youth programme was also incorporated into Protocol 31, as well as the European Year of Languages 2001 and the European Pathways for Work-linked Training (Europass).

Culture

35. Cooperation between the EEA EFTA States and the EU in the area of culture continued in 2000 through EEA EFTA participation in the Culture 2000 programme that is a follow-up to the three previous Community cultural programmes. Following Joint Committee Decision No 46/2000, the EEA EFTA States were able to participate in the new programme from the outset.

Environment

36. Over the year, the EEA Joint Committee adopted decisions incorporating acts in the areas of waste, eco-labelling, air-quality and integrated pollution control.

Small and medium sized enterprises (SMEs)

37. In 2000 the EEA EFTA States continued their participation in the third multi-annual programme on SMEs and took up participation in the programme on Joint European Ventures.

Tourism

38. Representatives from the EEA EFTA States continued to participate in the EU Advisory Committee on Tourism, which met three times during 2000, and attended the meetings of the Sub-Groups established under the Advisory Committee in 2000.

Civil protection

39. The EEA EFTA States took up participation in the second Community Action Programme in the field of Civil Protection. In addition to participation in the management committee of the Programme, the EEA EFTA side continued its participation in the work of the Permanent Network of National Correspondents.

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State of Decision-Making in the EEA - 1 January 2000 - 1 January 2001

Subcommittee I (without veterinary acquis)

	<i>Adopted EC Acts with EFTA</i>	<i>Draft JCD's in EU process (Acts)</i>	<i>Acts awaiting fulfilment of constitutional procedures in EFTA-countries</i>	<i>EC acts identified (during these twelve months)</i>	<i>Draft JCD's submitted (Acts) (during these twelve months)</i>	<i>Acts incorporated (during these twelve months)</i>	<i>Notifications required (during these twelve months)</i>	<i>Notifications fulfilled (during these twelve months)</i>
<i>1-Jan-00</i>	102	48	8	141*				
<i>1-Jan-01</i>	124	26	0	139	117	139	3	11
	112**							

Subcommittee II

	<i>Adopted EC Acts with EFTA</i>	<i>Draft JCD's in EU process (Acts)</i>	<i>Acts awaiting fulfilment of constitutional procedures in EFTA-countries</i>	<i>EC acts identified (during these twelve months)</i>	<i>Draft JCD's submitted (Acts) (during these twelve months)</i>	<i>Acts incorporated (during these twelve months)</i>	<i>Notifications required (during these twelve months)</i>	<i>Notifications fulfilled (during these twelve months)</i>
<i>1-Jan-00</i>	1	6	10	28*				
<i>1-Jan-01</i>	5	11	1	26	22	17	6	15

Subcommittee III

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	<i>Adopted EC Acts with EFTA</i>	<i>Draft JCD's in EU process (Acts)</i>	<i>Acts awaiting fulfilment of constitutional procedures in EFTA-countries</i>	<i>EC acts identified (during these twelve months)</i>	<i>Draft JCD's submitted (Acts) (during these twelve months)</i>	<i>Acts incorporated (during these twelve months)</i>	<i>Notifications required (during these twelve months)</i>	<i>Notifications fulfilled (during these twelve months)</i>
<i>1-Jan-00</i>	4	6	4	10*				
<i>1-Jan-01</i>	1	3	3	7	10	13	2	3

Subcommittee IV

	<i>Adopted EC Acts with EFTA</i>	<i>Draft JCD's in EU process (Acts)</i>	<i>Acts awaiting fulfilment of constitutional procedures in EFTA-countries</i>	<i>EC acts identified (during these twelve months)</i>	<i>Draft JCD's submitted (Acts) (during these twelve months)</i>	<i>Acts incorporated (during these twelve months)</i>	<i>Notifications required (during these twelve months)</i>	<i>Notifications fulfilled (during these twelve months)</i>
<i>1-Jan-00</i>	15	34	9	68*				
<i>1-Jan-01</i>	29	28	2	56	42	48	16	23

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Total (without Acts related to Annex I Chapter 1)

	<i>Adopted EC Acts with EFTA</i>	<i>Draft JCD's in EU process (Acts)</i>	<i>Acts awaiting fulfillment of constitutional procedures in EFTA-countries</i>	<i>EC acts identified (during these twelve months)</i>	<i>Draft JCD's submitted (Acts) (during these twelve months)</i>	<i>Acts incorporated (during these twelve months)</i>	<i>Notifications required (during these twelve months)</i>	<i>Notifications fulfilled (during these twelve months)</i>
<i>1-Jan-00</i>	122	94	31	247*				0
<i>1-Jan-01</i>	159	68	6	228	191	217	27	52
	147**							

Veterinary acquis Annex I Chapter**1****

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<i>1-Jan-00</i>	149	36****		41*				
<i>1-Jan-01</i>	126	170****	0	185	170	0		

* *Figures refer to acts identified in 1999.*** *Out of the 124 acts, 8 have been suspended for examination of EEA relevance and further 4 either repealed by later acts or annulled by the ECJ, leaving 112 to be promptly integrated.**** *The number of acts with EFTA on 1 January 2001 is lower than it should normally be, taken into account the number of EC acts identified and draft JCDs submitted. The reason is that many acts in the veterinary field have a limited duration and, thus, have "disappeared" without ever having been integrated.***** *The package of 36 acts in EU process on 1 January 2000 was withdrawn and the acts still in force incorporated into the draft JCD package comprising 170 acts submitted to the EU side during 2000.*

Decisions adopted by the EEA Joint Committee in 2000

No	Date adopted	Title	Compliance date in the EU	Stated date of entry into force of JC Decision	Publication in the Official Journal and the EEA Supplement	Comments on entry into force and compliance in the EEA
1 ¹	04.02.2000	Amending Annex II (Technical regulations, standards, testing and certification) to the EEA Agreement (Commission Directives 1999/23/EC 1999/24/EC 1999/25/EC and 1999/26/EC) [motor vehicles]	31.12.1999 31.12.1999 31.12.1999 31.12.1999	05.02.2000		No constitutional requirements indicated
2*	04.02.2000	Amending Annex II (Technical regulations, standards, testing and certification) to the EEA Agreement (Commission Directives 1999/40/EC 1999/55/EC 1999/56/EC 1999/57/EC and 1999/58/EC) [agricultural and forestry tractors]	30.06.2000 30.06.2000 30.06.2000 30.06.2000 30.06.2000	05.02.2000		No constitutional requirements indicated
3*	04.02.2000	Amending Annex II (Technical regulations, standards, testing and certification) and Annex XIII (Transport) to the EEA Agreement (Council Directive 1999/36/EC) [transportable pressure equipment]	01.07.2001	05.02.2000		No constitutional requirements indicated

¹ Ad referendum: confirmed

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4	28.01.2000	Amending Annex II (Technical regulations, standards, testing and certification) to the EEA Agreement (Decision No 292/97/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council) [additives in foodstuffs]	e.i.f. 11.02.1997	29.01.2000		No constitutional requirements indicated
5 ²	04.02.2000	Amending Annex II (Technical regulations, standards, testing and certification) to the EEA Agreement (Directive 1999/43/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council, and Commission Directive 1999/51/EC) [dangerous substances]	01.01.2001 01.09.2000	05.02.2000		No constitutional requirements indicated
6*	04.02.2000	Amending Annex II (Technical regulations, standards, testing and certification) to the EEA Agreement (Commission Decisions 1999/303/EC 1999/304/EC and 1999/310/EC) [telecom equipment]	26.05.1999 26.05.1999 27.05.1999	05.02.2000		No constitutional requirements indicated
7	28.01.2000	Amending Annex VI (Social security) to the EEA Agreement (Council Regulation (EC) No 1606/98) [special schemes for civil servants]	25.10.1998	29.01.2000		No constitutional requirements indicated
8*	04.02.2000	Amending Annex VI (Social security) to the EEA Agreement (Council Regulation (EC) No 307/1999) [extension to students]	01.05.1999	05.02.2000		No constitutional requirements indicated
9	28.01.2000	Amending Annex VI (Social security) to the EEA Agreement (Council Regulation (EC) No 1399/1999) [implementation of Regulation (EEC) No 1408/71]	01.09.1999	29.01.2000		No constitutional requirements indicated

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10	28.01.2000	Amending Annex VI (Social security) to the EEA Agreement (Decision No 171) [granting of benefits in kind]	01.01.1999	29.01.2000		No constitutional requirements indicated
11	28.01.2000	Amending Annex VI (Social security) to the EEA Agreement (Decision No 172 - model forms for application of Council Regulations (EEC) Nos 1408/71 and 574/72)	01.07.1999	29.01.2000		No constitutional requirements indicated
12	28.01.2000	Amending Annex XIX (Consumer protection) to the EEA Agreement (Directive 1999/44/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council) [sale of consumer goods and associated guarantees]	01.01.2002	29.01.2000 Confirmed entry into force 01.09.2000		Last notification received 17.07.2000
13	28.01.2000	Amending Annex XIX (Consumer protection) to the EEA Agreement (Commission Recommendation 98/257/EC) [out-of-court settlements of consumer disputes]	30.03.1998	29.01.2000		No constitutional requirements indicated
14	28.01.2000	Amending Annex XX (Environment) to the EEA Agreement (Commission Decisions 1999/568/EC And 1999/554/EC) [eco-labels to light bulbs and copying paper]	18.08.1999 08.08.1999	29.01.2000		No constitutional requirements indicated
15	28.01.2000	Amending Annex XX (Environment) to the EEA Agreement (Commission Decision 1999/391/EC) [IPPC questionnaire]	20.06.1999	29.01.2000		No constitutional requirements indicated
16	28.01.2000	Amending Annex XXI (Statistics) to the EEA Agreement (Council Regulation (EC) No 577/98) [labour force sample survey]	14.03.1998	29.01.2000		No constitutional requirements indicated

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17	28.01.2000	Amending Protocol 31 to the EEA Agreement (Council Decision 1999/22/EC) [ETAP programme]	14.12.1998	29.01.2000 Confirmed e.i.f. 01.08.2000		Last notification received 27.06.2000
18	28.01.2000	Amending Annex XIV (Competition) to the EEA Agreement (Commission Regulation (EC) No 2790/1999) [vertical restraints]	01.01.2000	29.01.2000		No constitutional requirements indicated
19	25.02.2000	Amending Annex II (Technical regulations, standards, testing and certification) to the EEA Agreement (Commission Directives 1999/11/EC 1999/12/EC 1999/73/EC 1999/80/EC and European Parliament and Council Directive 1999/33/EC) [dangerous substances]	30.09.1999 30.09.1999 01.01.2000 01.04.2000 30.07.2000	26.02.2000		No constitutional requirements indicated
20	25.02.2000	Amending Annex XVI (Procurement) to the EEA Agreement (Correction to Decision of the EEA Joint Committee No 96/1999)		26.02.2000 Confirmed entry into force 01.07.2000		Last notification received 19.05.2000
21	25.02.2000	Amending Annex XVII (Intellectual property) to the EEA Agreement (Directive 98/71/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council) [legal protection of designs]	28.10.2001	26.02.2000 Confirmed entry Into force 01.10.2000		Last notification received 24.08.2000
22	25.02.2000	Amending Annex XX (Environment) to the EEA Agreement (Council Directive 1999/13/EC) [limitation of emissions]	01.04.2001	26.02.2000 Confirmed entry into force 01.09.2000		Last notification received 18.07.2000

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23	25.02.2000	Amending Annex XXI (Statistics) to the EEA Agreement (Commission Regulations (EC) Nos 2645/98, 2646/98, 2700/98, 2701/98 and 2702/98)	01.01.1999 13.12.1998 07.01.1999 07.01.1999 07.01.1999	26.02.2000		No constitutional requirements indicated
24	25.02.2000	Amending Protocol 31 to the EEA Agreement (Decision No 2179/98/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council) ["sustainable development" action programme]	30.10.1998	26.02.2000		No constitutional requirements indicated
25	31.03.2000	Amending Annex II (Technical regulations, standards, testing and certification) to the EEA Agreement (Commission Directives 1999/65/EC and 1999/71/EC) [foodstuffs (MRLs)]	08.07.1999 31.01.2000	01.04.2000	15.06.2000 OJ L No 141, p. 44 Suppl. No 27, p. 1	No constitutional requirements indicated
26	31.03.2000	Amending Annex II (Technical regulations, standards, testing and certification) to the EEA Agreement (Commission Regulations (EC) Nos 864/1999 and 1566/1999) [foodstuffs (MRLs)]	15.05.1999 17.07.1999	01.04.2000	15.06.2000 OJ L 141 p. 46 Suppl. No 27 p. 3	No constitutional requirements indicated

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27	31.03.2000	Amending Annex II (Technical regulations, standards, testing and certification) to the EEA Agreement (Commission Regulations (EC) Nos 804/1999, 953/1999, 954/1999, 997/1999 and 998/1999) [medicinal products (MRLs)]	16.06.1999 04.07.1999 04.07.1999 11.07.1999 11.07.1999	01.04.2000	15.06.2000 OJ L 141 p. 47 Suppl. No 27 p. 4	No constitutional requirements indicated
28	31.03.2000	Amending Annex II (Technical regulations, standards, testing and certification) to the EEA Agreement (Commission Regulation (EC) Nos 1942/1999, 1943/1999 and Council Regulation (EC) No 1308/1999) [medicinal products (MRLs)]	10.11.1999 10.11.1999 26.06.1999	01.04.2000	15.06.2000 OJ L 141 p. 49 Suppl. No 27 p. 6	No constitutional requirements indicated
29	31.03.2000	Amending Annex II (Technical regulations, standards, testing and certification) to the EEA Agreement (Commission Decisions 98/535/EC, 1999/497/EC and 1999/498/EC) [telecommunications]	12.12.1998 25.07.1999 25.07.1999	01.04.2000	15.06.2000 OJ L 141 p. 51 Suppl. No 27 p. 7	No constitutional requirements indicated

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30	31.03.2000	Amending Annex II (Technical regulations, standards, testing and certification) to the EEA Agreement (Commission Decisions 1999/453/EC 1999/454/EC 1999/455/EC 1999/469/EC 1999/470/EC 1999/471/EC and 1999/472/EC) [construction products]	18.06.1999 22.06.1999 22.06.1999 25.06.1999 29.06.1999 29.06.1999 01.07.1999	01.04.2000	15.06.2000 OJ L 141 p. 53 Suppl. No 27 p. 8	No constitutional requirements indicated
31	31.03.2000	Amending Annex IV (Energy) to the EEA Agreement (Council Decision 1999/280/EC and Commission Decision 1999/566/EC) [oil supply costs]	22.04.1999 22.07.1999	01.04.2000	15.06.2000 OJ L 141 p. 55 Suppl. No 27 p. 10	No constitutional requirements indicated
32	31.03.2000	Amending Annex X (Audiovisual Services) to the EEA Agreement [TV without frontiers review]		01.04.2000	15.06.2000 OJ L 141 p. 57 Suppl. No 27 p. 11	No constitutional requirements indicated
33 ³	18.04.2000	Amending Annex XX (Environment) to the EEA Agreement (Commission Decision 1999/698/EC) [eco-label to portable computers]	02.11.1999	19.04.2000	15.06.2000 OJ L 141 p. 59 Suppl. No 27 p. 12	No constitutional requirements indicated
34	31.03.2000	Amending Annex XX (Environment) to the EEA Agreement (Commission Decision 94/774/EC) [consignment notes for waste]	14.12.1994	01.04.2000	15.06.2000 OJ L 141 p. 60 Suppl. No 27 p. 13	No constitutional requirements indicated

³ Ad referendum: confirmed

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35	31.03.2000	Amending Protocol 47 (Trade in wine) to the EEA Agreement (Commission Regulations (EC) Nos 761/1999 806/1999 1477/1999 and 1592/1999) [wine]	21.04.1999 24.04.1999 07.07.1999 28.07.1999	01.04.2000	15.06.2000 OJ L 141 p. 62 Suppl. No 27 p. 20	No constitutional requirements indicated
36	31.03.2000	Amending Protocol 31 to the EEA Agreement (Council Decision 1999/51/EC) [European pathways]	01.01.2000	01.04.2000 Confirmed entry into force 01.08.2000	15.06.2000 OJ L 141 p. 64 Suppl. No 27 p. 22	Last notification received 05.06.2000
37	31.03.2000	Amending Protocol 31 to the EEA Agreement (European Parliament and Council Decision No 1295/1999/EC) [rare diseases]	01.01.1999	01.04.2000 Confirmed e.i.f. 01.08.2000	15.06.2000 OJ L 141 p. 65 Suppl. No 27 p. 23	Last notification received 27.06.2000
38	31.03.2000	Amending Protocol 31 to the EEA Agreement (European Parliament and Council Decision No 253/2000/EC) [Community action programme 'Socrates', second phase]	24.01.2000	07.06.2000 Confirmed entry into force 07.06.2000	15.06.2000 OJ L 141 p. 66 Suppl. No 27 p. 24	Last notification received 06.06.2000
39 ⁴	11.04.2000	Amending Protocol 31 to the EEA Agreement (European Parliament and Council Decision No 293/2000/EC) ['Daphne']	01.01.2000	28.06.2000 Confirmed e.i.f. 28.06.2000	15.06.2000 OJ L 141 p. 67 Suppl. No 27 p. 25	Last notification received 27.06.2000

⁴ Ad referendum: confirmed

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40 ⁵	11.04.2000	Amending Protocol 31 to the EEA Agreement (Council Decision 1999/847/EC) [civil protection]	01.01.2000	01.07.2000 Confirmed entry into force 01.07.2000	15.06.2000 OJ L 141 p. 68 Suppl. No 27 p. 26	Last notification received 16.06.2000
41*	19.05.2000	Amending Annex II (Technical regulations, standards, testing and certification) to the EEA Agreement (Commission Regulation (EC) 1931/1999) [medicinal products (MRLs)]	09.11.1999	20.05.2000	13.07.2000 OJ L 174 p. 51 Suppl. No 32 p. 1	No constitutional requirements indicated
42*	19.05.2000	Amending Annex II (Technical regulations, standards, testing and certification) to the EEA Agreement (Commission Decision 1999/645/EC) [telecommunications]	01.10.1999	20.05.2000	13.07.2000 OJ L 174 p. 53 Suppl. No 32 p. 2	No constitutional requirements indicated
43*	19.05.2000	Amending Annex XVIII (Health and safety at work, labour law and equal treatment for men and women) to the EEA Agreement (Council Directive 1999/70/EC) [fixed term work]	10.07.2001	20.05.2000 Confirmed entry into force 01.02.2001	13.07.2000 OJ L 174 p. 54 Suppl. No 32 p. 3	Last notification received 22.12.2000
44*	19.05.2000	Amending Protocol 21 (On implementation of competition rules applicable to undertakings) to the EEA Agreement (Council Regulations (EC) No 1216/1999)	18.06.2000	20.05.2000	13.07.2000 OJ L 174 p. 55 Suppl. No 32 p. 4	No constitutional requirements indicated
45*	19.05.2000	Amending Protocol 31 (On cooperation in specific fields outside the four freedoms) to the EEA Agreement (Budget line B3-1003 in the 2000 budget) [European year of languages 2001; preparatory measures]	01.01.2000	20.05.2000	13.07.2000 OJ L 174 p. 57 Suppl. No 32 p. 6	No constitutional requirements indicated

⁵ Ad referendum: confirmed

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46 ⁶	19.05.2000	Amending protocol 31 (On cooperation in specific fields outside the four freedoms) to the EEA Agreement (Decision No 508/2000/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council) [Culture 2000 programme]	01.01.2000	20.05.2000	13.07.2000 OJ L 174 p. 58 Suppl. No 32 p. 7	No constitutional requirements indicated
47	22.05.2000	Amending protocol 31 (On co-operation in specific fields outside the four freedoms) [Financial instrument]		23.05.2000 applies from 01.01.1999 Confirmed entry into force 1.1.2001	13.07.2000 OJ L 174 p. 59 Suppl. No 32 p. 8	Last notification received 17.11.2000
48	31.05.2000	Amending Annex II (Technical regulations, standards, testing and certification) to the EEA Agreement (Directive No. 1999/5/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council) [radio equipment and telecommunications terminal equipment]	07.04.2000	01.06.2000	21.9.2000 OJ L 237 p.58 Suppl. No 42 p. 1	No constitutional requirements indicated
49	31.05.2000	Amending Annex XIV (Competition) to the EEA Agreement (Commission Regulation (EC) No. 823/2000) [application of Article 81(3) of the Treaty to certain categories of agreements, decisions and converted practices between liner companies]	26.04.2000	01.06.2000 applies from 26.04.2000	21.9.2000 OJ L 237 p.60 Suppl. No 42 p. 3	No constitutional requirements indicated

⁶ Ad referendum: Confirmed

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50 ⁷	28.06.2000	Amending Annex II (Technical regulations, standards, testing and certification) to the EEA Agreement (Commission Directive 1999/99/EC 1999/100/EC 1999/101/EC and 1999/102/EC) [motor vehicles]	31.12.1999 31.12.1999 31.12.1999 31.12.1999	29.06.2000	21.9.2000 OJ L 237 p.62 Suppl. No 42 p. 5	No constitutional requirements indicated
51*	28.06.2000	Amending Annex II (Technical regulations, standards, testing and certification) to the EEA Agreement (Council Directive 1999/86/EC) [agricultural and forestry tractors]	01.01.2001	29.06.2000	21.9.2000 OJ L 237 p.64 Suppl. No 42 p. 7	No constitutional requirements indicated
52*	28.06.2000	Amending Annex II (Technical regulations, standards, testing and certification) to the EEA Agreement (Commission Directive 1999/75/EC) [foodstuffs]	25.08.1999	29.06.2000	21.9.2000 OJ L 237 p.65 Suppl. No 42 p. 8	No constitutional requirements indicated
53*	28.06.2000	Amending Annex II (Technical regulations, standards, testing and certification) to the EEA Agreement (Directive 96/84/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council) [foodstuffs]	30.09.1997	29.06.2000	21.9.2000 OJ L 237 p.66 Suppl. No 42 p. 9	No constitutional requirements indicated

⁷ Ad referendum: confirmed

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54 ⁸	28.06.2000	Amending Annex II (Technical regulations, standards, testing and certification) to the EEA Agreement Commission Directives 96/4/EC 1999/50/EC Directive 1999/41/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council) [foodstuffs]	31.03.1999 22.06.1999 08.07.1999	29.06.2000	21.9.2000 OJ L 237 p.68 Suppl. No 42 p. 10	No constitutional requirements indicated
55 [*]	28.06.2000	Amending Annex II (Technical regulations, standards, testing and certification) to the EEA Agreement (Council Regulation (EC) No. 1804/1999) [foodstuffs]	24.08.2000	29.06.2000	21.9.2000 OJ L 237 p.70 Suppl. No 42 p. 11	No constitutional requirements indicated
56 [*]	28.06.2000	Amending Annex II (Technical regulations, standards, testing and certification) to the EEA Agreement (Commission Decision 1999/217/EC) [foodstuffs]	16.04.1999	29.06.2000	21.9.2000 OJ L 237 p.72 Suppl. No 42 p. 12	No constitutional requirements indicated
57 ⁹	28.06.2000	Amending Annex II (Technical regulations, standards, testing and certification) to the EEA Agreement (Commission Regulations (EC) Nos. 2385/1999 and 2393/1999) [medicinal products]	10.01.2000 11.01.2000	29.06.2000	21.9.2000 OJ L 237 p.73 Suppl. No 42 p. 13	No constitutional requirements indicated

⁸ Ad referendum: confirmed

⁹ Ad referendum: confirmed

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58*	28.06.2000	Amending Annex II (Technical regulations, standards, testing and certification) to the EEA Agreement (Commission Decision 1999/511/EC) [information technology, telecommunication and data processing]	16.08.1999	29.06.2000	21.9.2000 OJ L 237 p.74 Suppl. No 42 p. 14	No constitutional requirements indicated
59*	28.06.2000	Amending Annex III (Product liability) to the EEA Agreement (Directive 1999/34/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council – amendment of Council Directive 85/374/EEC on liability for defective products) [on liability for defective products]	02.12.2000	29.06.2000 Confirmed entry into force 01.02.2001	21.9.2000 OJ L 237 p.75 Suppl. No 42 p. 15	Last notification received 22.12.2000
60*	28.06.2000	Amending Annex XIII (Transport) to the EEA Agreement (Council resolution 1999/C 222/01) [Air traffic delays]		29.06.2000	21.9.2000 OJ L 237 p.76 Suppl. No 42 p. 16	No constitutional requirements indicated
61 ¹⁰	28.06.2000	Amending Annex XX (Environment) to the EEA Agreement (Commission Decisions 2000/40/EC and 2000/45/EC) [eco-labels for refrigerators and washing machines]	05.01.2000 06.01.2000	29.06.2000	21.9.2000 OJ L 237 p.77 Suppl. No 42 p. 17	No constitutional requirements indicated
62*	28.06.2000	Amending Annex XXI (Statistics) to the EEA Agreement (Commission Regulations (EC) Nos 1617/1999 and 1749/1999)	13.08.1999 13.08.1999	29.06.2000	21.9.2000 OJ L 237 p.79 Suppl. No 42 p. 18	No constitutional requirements indicated

¹⁰ Ad referendum: confirmed

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63*	28.06.2000	Amending Annex XXI (Statistics) to the EEA Agreement (Council Regulation (EC) No 2166/1999 Commission Regulation (EC) No 2543/1999 and Commission Decision 1999/622/EC) [Euratom]	03.11.1999 01.01.2000 09.09.1999	29.06.2000	21.9.2000 OJ L 237 p.81 Suppl. No 42 p. 19	No constitutional requirements indicated
64*	28.06.2000	Amending protocol 47 (On the abolition of technical barriers to trade in wine) to the EEA Agreement (Commission Regulation (EC) No 2253/1999 [protection of traditional terms to designate wine])	02.11.1999	29.06.2000	21.9.2000 OJ L 237 p.83 Suppl. No 42 p. 21	No constitutional requirements indicated
65 ¹¹	02.08.2000	Amending Annex VI (Social security) to the EEA Agreement (Administrative Commission Decision No 173) [concerning euro]	01.02.2000	03.08.2000	5.10.2000 OJ L No 250, p. 46 Suppl. No 44, p. 1	No constitutional requirements indicated
66*	02.08.2000	Amending Annex XI (Telecommunication services) to the EEA Agreement (Directive 1999/93/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council) [electronic signature]	19.07.2001	03.08.2000 Confirmed entry into force 01.03.2001	5.10.2000 OJ L No 250, p. 48 Suppl. No 44, p. 2	Last notification received 25.01.2001

¹¹ Ad referendum: confirmed

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67*	02.08.2000	Amending Annex XI (Telecommunication services) to the EEA Agreement (Commission Recommendation 2000/263/EC) [interconnection]	01.01.2000	03.08.2000	5.10.2000 OJ L No 250, p. 50 Suppl. No 44, p. 3	No constitutional requirements indicated
68*	02.08.2000	Amending Annex XIII (Transport) to the EEA Agreement (Commission Regulation (EC) No 609/2000) [ecopoints]	11.04.2000	03.08.2000	5.10.2000 OJ L No 250, p. 51 Suppl. No 44, p. 4	No constitutional requirements indicated
69*	02.08.2000	Amending Annex XIII (Transport) to the EEA Agreement (Commission Directive 1999/97/EC) [port state control]	13.12.2000	03.08.2000	5.10.2000 OJ L No 250, p. 52 Suppl. No 44, p. 5	No constitutional requirements indicated
70*	02.08.2000	Amending protocol 31 (on cooperation in specific fields outside the four freedoms) to the EEA Agreement (Decision No 1031/2000/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council) [Youth programme]	01.01.2000	03.08.2000	5.10.2000 OJ L No 250, p.53 Suppl. No 44, p. 6	No constitutional requirements indicated

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71	02.10.2000	<p>Amending Annex I (Veterinary and Phytosanitary Matters) to the EEA Agreement (Council Decision 98/728/EC,</p> <p>Council Directives 98/92/EC, 1999/20/EC and 1999/29/EC,</p> <p>Council Regulation (EC) No 2821/98,</p> <p>Commission Directives 98/19/EC, 98/51/EC, 98/54/EC, 98/64/EC, 98/67/EC, 98/68/EC, 98/87/EC,</p>	<p>14.12.2002</p> <p>31.03.1999 30.09.1999 04.05.1999</p> <p>01.01.1999</p> <p>01.06.1998 01.01.1999 13.05.1999 01.01.1999 01.07.1998 01.04.1999 01.07.1999</p>	25.12.2000	14.12.2000 OJ L 315, p. 1 Suppl. No 59, p. 1	No constitutional requirements indicated

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71 cont.		98/88/EC, 1999/27/EC, 1999/61/EC, 1999/76/EC, 1999/78/EC and 1999/79/EC, Commission Regulations (EC) Nos 1436/98, 2316/98, 2374/98, 2785/98, 2786/98, 2788/98, 45/1999, 639/1999, 866/1999, 1245/1999,	27.11.1998 31.10.1999 31.10.1999 01.02.2000 30.11.1999 01.01.2000 01.07.1999 15.12.1998 01.07.1999 01.12.1998 01.12.1998 01.01.1999 30.09.1999 01.04.1999 01.07.1999 17.06.1999			
71 cont.		1411/1999, 1594/1999 and 1636/1999, and Commission Decision 1999/420/EC) [additives in feedingstuffs]	01.07.1999 01.09.1999 27.07.1999 01.11.1999			

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72	02.10.2000	Amending Annex II (Technical regulations, standards, testing and certification) to the EEA Agreement (Directive 1999/96/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council and Commission Directive 1999/98/EC) [motor vehicles]	01.07.2000 30.09.2000	03.10.2000	14.12.2000 OJ L 315, p. 7 Suppl. No 59, p. 7	No constitutional requirements indicated
73	02.10.2000	<i>Amending Annex II (Technical regulations, standards, testing and certification) to the EEA Agreement (Commission Directives 2000/1/EC and 2000/2/EC and Commission Decision 2000/63/EC)</i> [Agricultural and forestry tractors]	30.06.2000 31.12.2000 30.10.2001	03.10.2000	14.12.2000 OJ L 315, p. 9 Suppl. No 59, p. 8	No constitutional requirements indicated
74	02.10.2000	Amending Annex II (Technical regulations, standards, testing and certification) to the EEA Agreement (Commission Directive 1999/91/EC) [foodstuffs]	13.12.1999	03.10.2000	14.12.2000 OJ L 315, p. 11 Suppl. No 59, p. 10	No constitutional requirements indicated

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75	02.10.2000	Amending Annex II (Technical regulations, standards, testing and certification) to the EEA Agreement (Commission Regulations (EC) No 1069/98 and (EC) No 1146/98, Council Regulation (EC) No 2743/98 and Commission Directives 1999/82/EC and 1999/83/EC) [medicinal products]	30.05.1998 06.06.1998 20.12.1998 01.01.2000 01.03.2000	03.10.2000	14.12.2000 OJ L 315, p. 12 Suppl. No 59, p. 11	No constitutional requirements indicated
76	02.10.2000	Amending Annex II (Technical regulations, standards, testing and certification) to the EEA Agreement (Commission Regulations (EC) No 2593/1999, (EC) No 2728/1999, (EC) No 2757/1999 and (EC) No 2758/1999) [medicinal products]	07.02.2000 25.12.1999 26.12.1999 26.12.1999	03.10.2000	14.12.2000 OJ L 315, p. 14 Suppl. No 59, p. 13	No constitutional requirements indicated

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77	02.10.2000	Amending Annex II (Technical regulations, standards, testing and certification) to the EEA Agreement (Commission Directive 1999/77/EC, Commission Regulation (EC) No 1261/1999 and Commission Recommendation 1999/721/EC) [dangerous substances]	01.01.2005 13.04.2000 12.10.1999	03.10.2000	14.12.2000 OJ L 315, p. 16 Suppl. No 59, p. 15	No constitutional requirements indicated
78	02.10.2000	Amending Annex II (Technical regulations, standards, testing and certification) to the EEA Agreement (Commission Decision 2000/180/EC and Commission Directive 2000/10/EC) [dangerous substances]	01.12.2000	03.10.2000	14.12.2000 OJ L 315, p. 18 Suppl. No 59, p. 17	No constitutional requirements indicated
79	02.10.2000	Amending Annex XIII (Transport) to the EEA Agreement (Council Directive 96/67/EC) [ground handling market]	25.10.1997	02.12 2000	14.12.2000 OJ L 315, p. 20 Suppl. No 59, p. 18	No constitutional requirements indicated

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80	02.10.2000	Amending Annex XXI (Statistics) to the EEA Agreement (Council Regulation (EC) No 1165/98) [short term statistics]	25.06.1998	03.10.2000	14.12.2000 OJ L 315, p. 22 Suppl. No 59, p. 19	No constitutional requirements indicated
81	02.10.2000	Amending Annex XXI (Statistics) to the EEA Agreement (Council Regulation (EC) No 530/1999 and Commission Regulation (EC) No 1726/1999) [statistics on labour costs]	01.04.1999 03.08.1999	03.10.2000	14.12.2000 OJ L 315, p. 24 Suppl. No 59, p. 20	No constitutional requirements indicated
82	02.10.2000	Amending Protocol 31 (cooperation in specific fields outside the four freedoms) to the EEA Agreement (Budget line B5-334) [follow-up to INFO 2000]	01.01.2000	03.10.2000	14.12.2000 OJ L 315, p. 26 Suppl. No 59, p. 22	No constitutional requirements indicated
83	02.10.2000	Amending Protocol 31 (cooperation in specific fields outside the four freedoms) to the EEA Agreement, (Decisions Nos 372/1999/EC and 1296/1999/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council) [injury prevention and pollution-related diseases]	01.01.1999 01.01.1999	15.12.2000 Confirmed entry into force 15.12.2000	14.12.2000 OJ L 315, p. 28 Suppl. No 59, p. 23	Notification from Norway received 15.12.2000

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84	02.10.2000	Amending Protocol 31 (cooperation in specific fields outside the four freedoms) to the EEA Agreement (Decision No 2119/98/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council) [communicable diseases]	03.01.1999	03.10.2000	14.12.2000 OJ L 315, p. 30 Suppl. No 59, p. 24	No constitutional requirements indicated
85	02.10.2000	Amending Protocol 47 (abolition of technical barriers to trade in wine) to the EEA Agreement (Commission Regulation (EC) No 160/2000) [wine and grape musts]	01.02.2000	03.10.2000	14.12.2000 OJ L 315, p. 32 Suppl. No 59, p. 25	No constitutional requirements indicated
86	27.10.2000	Amending Annex VI (Social Security) to the EEA Agreement (ACSSMW Decisions Nos 174 and 175)	10.03.2000 01.03.2000	28.10.2000	11.1.2001 OJ L 7, p. 1 Suppl. No 2, p. 1	No constitutional requirements indicated
87	27.10.2000	Amending Annex VII (Mutual Recognition of Professional Qualifications) to the EEA Agreement (Commission Directive 2000/5/EC) [2 nd General system]	27.02.2001	28.10.2000 Confirmed entry into force 01.04.01	11.1.2001 OJ L 7, p. 3 Suppl. No 2, p. 3	Notification received from Liechtenstein 09.02.2001.
88	27.10.2000	Amending Annex VII (Mutual Recognition of Professional Qualifications) to the EEA Agreement (EP and Council Directive 1999/42/EC) [Mechanism for recognition]	31.07.2001	28.10.2000	11.1.2001 OJ L 7, p. 5 Suppl. No 2, p. 4	Notification under Article 103 received from Iceland on 10.04.2001

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89	27.10.2000	Amending Annex VII (Mutual Recognition of Professional Qualifications) to the EEA Agreement (Commission Directives 98/21/EC, 98/63/EC and 1999/46/EC) [Doctors]	30.12.98 30.06.99 31.12.99	28.10.2000	11.1.2001 OJ L 7, p. 9 Suppl. No 2, p. 6	No constitutional requirements indicated
90	27.10.2000	Amending Annex XI (Telecommunication Services) to the EEA Agreement (EP and Council Decision No 1215/2000/EC) [satellite communications].	13.06.2000	28.10.2000	11.1.2001 OJ L 7, p. 11 Suppl. No 2, p. 7	No constitutional requirements indicated
91*	27.10.2000	Amending Annex XI (Telecommunication Services) to the EEA Agreement (EP and Council Directive 2000/31/EC) [Electronic commerce].	17.01.2002	28.10.2000	11.1.2001 OJ L 7, p. 13 Suppl. No 2, p. 8	Notification under Article 103 received from Iceland on 10.04.2001 Notification awaited from Norway
92	27.10.2000	Amending Annex XI (Telecommunication Services) to the EEA Agreement (Commission Recommendation 2000/417/EC) [Unbundled access]	31.12.2000	28.10.2000	11.1.2001 OJ L 7, p. 15 Suppl. No 2, p. 9	No constitutional requirements indicated
93*	10.11.2000	Amending Annex XIII (Transport) to the EEA Agreement (Commission Regulation (EC) No 1532/2000) [Inland waterway fleet capacity]	03.08.2000	11.11.2000	11.1.2001 OJ L 7, p. 17 Suppl. No 2, p. 10	No constitutional requirements indicated

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94	27.10.2000	Amending Annex XIII (Transport) to the EEA Agreement (EP and Council Directive 1999/95/EC) [Working time for seafarers]	30.06.2002	28.10.2000	11.1.2001 OJ L 7, p. 19 Suppl. No 2, p. 11	Notification under Article 103 awaited from Iceland
95*	10.11.2000	Amending Annex XVIII (Health and Safety at Work, Labour Law, and Equal Treatment for Men and Women) to the EEA Agreement (Council Directive 1999/38/EC) [Carcinogens at work]	29.04.2003	11.11.2000	11.1.2001 OJ L 7, p. 21 Suppl. No 2, p. 12	No constitutional requirements indicated
96	27.10.2000	Amending Annex XVIII (Health and Safety at Work, Labour Law, and Equal Treatment for Men and Women) to the EEA Agreement (EP and Council Directive 1999/92/EC) [explosive atmospheres]	30.06.2003	28.10.2000	11.1.2001 OJ L 7, p. 23 Suppl. No 2, p. 13	No constitutional requirements indicated
97*	27.10.2000	Amending Annex XVIII (Health and Safety at Work, Labour Law, and Equal Treatment for Men and Women) to the EEA Agreement (Council Directive 1999/63/EC) [Working time for seafarers]	30.06.2002	28.10.2000	11.1.2001 OJ L 7, p. 25 Suppl. No 2, p. 14	Notification under Article 103 received from Iceland on 10.04.2001 Notification awaited from Norway
98	27.10.2000	Decision No 98/2000 amending Annex XXI (Statistics) to the EEA Agreement (Commission Regulation (EC) No 1618/1999) [structural business statistics]	13.08.99	28.10.2000	11.1.2001 OJ L 7, p. 27 Suppl. No 2, p. 15	No constitutional requirements indicated

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99	27.10.2000	Amending Protocol 30 (specific provisions on the organization of cooperation in the field of statistics) to the EEA Agreement (Council Regulation (EC) No 322/97 and Council Decision 1999/126/EC) [statistical framework programme (1998 – 2002)]	14.03.97 01.01.98	28.10.2000	11.1.2001 OJ L 7, p. 29 Suppl. No 2, p. 16	No constitutional requirements indicated
100*	10.11.2000	Amending Protocol 31 (co-operation in specific fields outside the four freedoms) to the EEA Agreement (EP and Council Decisions Nos 1719/1999/EC and 1720/1999/EC) [Interchange of data – IDA]	03.08.99 03.08.99	15.12.2000 Confirmed entry into force 15.12.2000	11.1.2001 OJ L 7, p. 32 Suppl. No 2, p. 18	Notification from Norway received 15.12.2000
101*	10.11.2000	Amending Protocol 31 (co-operation in specific fields outside the four freedoms) to the EEA Agreement (EP and Council Decision No 646/2000/EC) [Altener]	19.04.2000	15.12.2000 Confirmed entry into force 15.12.2000	11.1.2001 OJ L 7, p. 36 Suppl. No 2, p. 21	Notification from Norway received 8.12.2000
102*	10.11.2000	Amending Protocol 31 (co-operation in specific fields outside the four freedoms) to the EEA Agreement (EP and Council Decision No 647/2000/EC) [SAVE]	19.04.2000	15.12.2000 Confirmed entry into force 15.12.2000	11.1.2001 OJ L 7, p. 38 Suppl. No 2, p. 22	Notification from Norway received 8.12.2000

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103*	30.11.2000	Amending Annex II (Technical regulations, standards, testing and certification) to the EEA Agreement (Commission Directive 2000/3/EC) [motor vehicles]	30.09.2000	1.12.2000	15.2.2001 OJ L 45, p. 1 Suppl. No 8, p. 1	No constitutional requirements indicated
104*	30.11.2000	Amending Annex II (Technical regulations, standards, testing and certification) to the EEA Agreement (EP and Council Directives 2000/4/EC 2000/7/EC 2000/8/EC) [motor vehicles]	08.04.2001 01.01.2001 03.03.2000	1.12.2000	15.2.2001 OJ L 45, p. 3 Suppl. No 8, p. 3	No constitutional requirements indicated
105*	30.11.2000	Amending Annex II (Technical regulations, standards, testing and certification) to the EEA Agreement (Commission Directives 2000/19/EC and 2000/22/EC) [roll-over protection structures]	30.06.2001 30.06.2001	1.12.2000	15.2.2001 OJ L 45, p. 5 Suppl. No 8, p. 5	No constitutional requirements indicated
106*	30.11.2000	Amending Annex II (Technical regulations, standards, testing and certification) to the EEA Agreement (Commission Directives 94/69/EC, 96/54/EC and 97/69/EC) [dangerous substances]	01.09.96 31.05.98 08.12.97	1.12.2000	15.2.2001 OJ L 45, p. 7 Suppl. No 8, p. 7	No constitutional requirements indicated

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107*	30.11.2000	Amending Annex II (Technical regulations, standards, testing and certification) to the EEA Agreement (Commission Directive 2000/21/EC) [list of Community legislation]	01.04.2001	1.12.2000	15.2.2001 OJ L 45, p. 45 Suppl. No 8, p. 46	No constitutional requirements indicated
108*	30.11.2000	Amending Annex XI (Telecommunication Services) to the EEA Agreement (Commission Decisions 2000/518/EC, 2000/519/EC and 2000/520/EC) [adequate protection of personal data]	23.11.2000 23.11.2000 23.11.2000	1.12.2000	15.2.2001 OJ L 45, p. 47 Suppl. No 8, p. 47	Notification under Article 103 awaited from Iceland
109*	22.12.2000	Amending Annex II (Technical regulations, standards, testing and certification) to the EEA Agreement (Commission Decision 2000/166/EC) [active substance quinoxifen]	16.03.2000	23.12.2000		No constitutional requirements indicated
110*	22.12.2000	Amending Annex XIII (Transport) to the EEA Agreement (EP and Council Directive 2000/18/EC) [safety advisors]	19.08.2000	23.12.2000		No constitutional requirements indicated
111*	22.12.2000	Amending Annex XIII (Transport) to the EEA Agreement (EP and Council Directive 2000/30/EC) [roadworthiness of commercial vehicles]	06.06.2002	23.12.2000		No constitutional requirements indicated
112	15.12.2000	Amending Protocol 31 EP and Council Decision No 1934/2000/EC [European Year of Languages 2001]	14.09.2000	16.12.2000		No constitutional requirements indicated

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113*	22.12.2000	Amending Annex XIV (Competition) to the EEA Agreement (Commission Regulations (EC) No 2658/2000 and (EC) No 2659/2000)	01.01.2000 01.01.2000	01.01.2001		No constitutional requirements indicated
114*	22.12.2000	Amending Protocol 4 (rules of origin) to the EEA Agreement		01.01.2001		No constitutional requirements indicated
