DECISION OF THE EEA JOINT COMMITTEE

No 152/2014

of 27 June 2014

amending Annex XV (State Aid) to the EEA Agreement

THE EEA JOINT COMMITTEE,

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

Whereas:

- (1) Commission Regulation (EU) No 651/2014 of 17 June 2014 declaring certain categories of aid compatible with the internal market in application of Articles 107 and 108 of the Treaty (¹) is to be incorporated into the EEA Agreement.
- (2) Regulation (EU) No 651/2014 repeals, with effect from 1 July 2014, Commission Regulation (EC) No 800/2008 (2), which is incorporated into the EEA Agreement and which is consequently to be repealed under the EEA Agreement with effect from 1 July 2014.
- (3) Annex XV to the EEA Agreement should therefore be amended accordingly,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

Article 1

The text of point 1j (Commission Regulation (EC) No 800/2008) of Annex XV to the EEA Agreement is replaced, with effect from 1 July 2014, by the following:

'32014 R 0651: Commission Regulation (EU) No 651/2014 of 17 June 2014 declaring certain categories of aid compatible with the internal market in application of Articles 107 and 108 of the Treaty (OJ L 187, 26.6.2014, p. 1).

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

- (a) The term "Article 107(1) of the Treaty" shall read "Article 61(1) of the EEA Agreement";
- (b) The term "Articles 107 and 108 of the Treaty" shall read "Article 61 and 62 of the EEA Agreement";
- (c) The term "Article 107(3) of the Treaty" shall read "Article 61(3) of the EEA Agreement";
- (d) The term "Article 107(3)(a) of the Treaty" shall read "Article 61(3)(a) of the EEA Agreement";
- (e) The term "Article 107(3)(c) of the Treaty" shall read "Article 61(3)(c) of the EEA Agreement";
- (f) As regards the EFTA States, the term "Article 108(3) of the Treaty" shall read "Article 1(3) of Part I of Protocol 3 to the Surveillance and Court Agreement";
- (g) The term "compatible with the internal market" shall read "compatible with the functioning of the EEA Agreement";
- (h) The term "Member State" shall read "EU Member State or EFTA State". The term "Member States" shall read "EU Member States or EFTA States";
- (i) The term "Commission" shall read "competent surveillance authority as defined in Article 62 of the EEA Agreement";
- (j) The term "Annex I to the Treaty" shall read "listed in the Appendix to this Annex and covered by the scope of the EEA Agreement";
- (k) The term "Union registers" shall read "registers in the territories covered by the EEA Agreement";

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 187, 26.6.2014, p. 1.

⁽²⁾ OJ L 214, 9.8.2008, p. 3.

- (l) The term "Union funding" shall read "Union or EEA funding";
- (m) The term "Union law" shall read "the EEA Agreement";
- (n) References to Union legislation do not imply that the EFTA States are obliged to comply with the Union legislation when such legislation has not been incorporated into the Agreement.'

Article 2

The texts of Regulation (EU) No 651/2014 in the Icelandic and Norwegian languages, to be published in the EEA Supplement to the Official Journal of the European Union, shall be authentic.

Article 3

This Decision shall enter into force on 28 June 2014, provided that all the notifications under Article 103(1) of the EEA Agreement have been made (*).

Article 4

This Decision shall be published in the EEA Section of, and in the EEA Supplement to, the Official Journal of the European Union.

Done at Brussels, 27 June 2014.

For the EEA Joint Committee
The President
Gianluca GRIPPA

^(*) No constitutional requirements indicated.