

Agreement on the  
European Economic Area

The EEA Joint Committee

**DECISION OF THE EEA JOINT COMMITTEE**  
**No 37/98**  
**of 30 April 1998**

amending Annex XVIII (Health and safety at work, labour law,  
and equal treatment for men and women) to the EEA Agreement

THE EEA JOINT COMMITTEE,

Having regard to the Agreement on the European Economic Area, as adjusted by the Protocol adjusting the Agreement on the European Economic Area, hereinafter referred to as the Agreement, and in particular Article 98 thereof,

Whereas Annex XVIII to the Agreement was amended by Decision of the EEA Joint Committee No 14/98 of 6 March 1998<sup>1</sup>;

Whereas Directive 96/71/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 16 December 1996 concerning the posting of workers in the framework of the provision of services<sup>2</sup> is to be incorporated into the Agreement,

HAS DECIDED AS FOLLOWS:

Article 1

The following point shall be inserted after point 29 (Council Directive 94/33/EC) in Annex XVIII to the Agreement:

"30. **396 L 0071**: Directive 96/71/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 16 December 1996 concerning the posting of workers in the framework of the provision of services (OJ L 18, 21.1.1997, p. 1).

The provisions of the Directive shall, for the purposes of the present Agreement, be read with the following adaptation:

in Article 3(10), the word "Treaty" shall read "EEA Agreement".

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1 OJ L ...

2 OJ L 18, 21.1.1997, p. 1.

Article 2

The texts of Directive 96/71/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council in the Icelandic and Norwegian languages, which are annexed to the respective language versions of this Decision, are authentic.

Article 3

This Decision shall enter into force on 1 May 1998, provided that all the notifications under Article 103(1) of the Agreement have been made to the EEA Joint Committee.

Article 4

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

Done at Brussels, 30 April 1998.

For the EEA Joint Committee  
The President

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The Secretaries  
to the EEA Joint Committee

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