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DECISION OF THE EEA JOINT COMMITTEE
No 63/2000

of 28 June 2000

amending Annex XXI (Statistics)
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:

- (1) Annex XXI to the Agreement was amended by Decision of the EEA Joint Committee No 23/2000 of 25 February 2000¹.
- (2) Commission Regulation (EC) No 2543/1999 of 1 December 1999 on the nomenclature of countries and territories for the external trade statistics of the Community and statistics of trade between Member States² is to be incorporated into the Agreement.
- (3) Council Regulation (EC) No 2166/1999 of 8 October 1999 laying down detailed rules for the implementation of Regulation (EC) No 2494/95 as regards minimum standards for the treatment of products in the health, education and social protection sectors in the Harmonised Index of Consumer Prices³ is to be incorporated into the Agreement.
- (4) Commission Decision 1999/622/EC, Euratom, of 8 September 1999 on the treatment of repayments of VAT to non-taxable units for their exempt activities, for the purpose of implementing Council Directive 89/130/EEC, Euratom on the harmonisation of the compilation of gross national product at market prices⁴ is to be incorporated into the Agreement,

HAS DECIDED AS FOLLOWS:

¹ OJ L ...

² OJ L 307, 2.12.1999, p. 46.

³ OJ L 266, 14.10.1999, p. 1.

⁴ OJ L 245, 17.9.1999, p. 51.

Article 1

The text of point 9 (Commission Regulation (EC) No 2645/98) of Annex XXI to the Agreement shall be replaced by the following:

‘**399 R 2543**: Commission Regulation (EC) No 2543/1999 of 1 December 1999 on the nomenclature of countries and territories for the external trade statistics of the Community and statistics of trade between Member States (OJ L 307, 2.12.1999, p. 46).’

Article 2

The following points shall be inserted after point 19h (Commission Regulation (EC) No 1617/1999) of Annex XXI to the Agreement:

‘19i. **399 R 2166**: Council Regulation (EC) No 2166/1999 of 8 October 1999 laying down detailed rules for the implementation of Regulation (EC) No 2494/95 as regards minimum standards for the treatment of products in the health, education and social protection sectors in the Harmonised Index of Consumer Prices (OJ L 266, 14.10.1999, p. 1).

19j. **399 D 0622**: Commission Decision 1999/622/EC, Euratom of 8 September 1999 on the treatment of repayments of VAT to non-taxable units for their exempt activities, for the purpose of implementing Council Directive 89/130/EEC, Euratom on the harmonisation of the compilation of gross national product at market prices (OJ L 245, 17.9.1999, p. 51).’

Article 3

The texts of Commission Regulation (EC) No 2543/1999, Council Regulation (EC) No 2166/1999 and Commission Decision 1999/622/EC, Euratom in the Icelandic and Norwegian languages, to be published in the EEA Supplement to the *Official Journal of the European Communities*, shall be authentic.

Article 4

This Decision shall enter into force on 29 June 2000, provided that all the notifications under Article 103(1) of the Agreement have been made to the EEA Joint Committee* .

* No constitutional requirements indicated.

Article 5

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, 28 June 2000.

*For the EEA Joint Committee
The President*

F. Barbaso

*The Secretaries
to the EEA Joint Committee*

G. Vik E. Gerner