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DECISION OF THE EEA JOINT COMMITTEE
No 135/2005

of 21 October 2005

**amending Protocol 31 to the EEA Agreement,
on cooperation in specific fields outside the four freedoms**

THE EEA JOINT COMMITTEE,

Having regard to the Agreement on the European Economic Area, as amended by the Protocol adjusting the Agreement on the European Economic Area, hereinafter referred to as 'the Agreement', and in particular Articles 86 and 98 thereof,

Whereas:

- (1) Protocol 31 to the Agreement was amended by Decision of the EEA Joint Committee No 90/2004 of 8 June 2004¹.
- (2) It is appropriate to extend the cooperation of the Contracting Parties to the Agreement to include Decision No 1600/2002/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 22 July 2002 laying down the Sixth Community Environment Action Programme².
- (3) Protocol 31 to the Agreement should therefore be amended in order to allow for this extended cooperation to take place from 1 January 2005,

HAS DECIDED AS FOLLOWS:

Article 1

The following shall be added in Article 3(7) of Protocol 31 to the Agreement:

- '(d) Community acts which shall take effect from 1 January 2005:
- **32002 D 1600**: Decision No 1600/2002/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 22 July 2002 laying down the Sixth Community Environment Action Programme (OJ L 242, 10.9.2002, p. 1).'

Article 2

This Decision shall enter into force on the day following the last notification to the EEA Joint Committee under Article 103(1) of the Agreement*.

¹ OJ L 349, 25.11.2004, p. 52.

² OJ L 242, 10.9.2002, p. 1.

* No constitutional requirements indicated.

It shall apply from 1 January 2005.

Article 3

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, 21 October 2005.

*For the EEA Joint Committee
The President*

H. S. H. Prinz Nikolaus von Liechtenstein

*The Secretaries
to the EEA Joint Committee*

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