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**DECISION OF THE EEA JOINT COMMITTEE**  
**No 80/2008**

**of 4 July 2008**

**amending Annex IX (Financial services) to the EEA Agreement**

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 Article 98 thereof,

Whereas:

- (1) Annex IX to the Agreement was amended by Decision of the EEA Joint Committee No 66/2008 of 6 June 2008<sup>1</sup>.
- (2) Commission Regulation (EC) No 1569/2007 of 21 December 2007 establishing a mechanism for the determination of equivalence of accounting standards applied by third country issuers of securities pursuant to Directives 2003/71/EC and 2004/109/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council<sup>2</sup> is to be incorporated into the Agreement,

HAS DECIDED AS FOLLOWS:

*Article 1*

The following point shall be inserted after point 29ga (Commission Directive 2007/14/EC) of Annex IX to the Agreement:

- ‘29h. **32007 R 1569**: Commission Regulation (EC) No 1569/2007 of 21 December 2007 establishing a mechanism for the determination of equivalence of accounting standards applied by third country issuers of securities pursuant to Directives 2003/71/EC and 2004/109/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council (OJ L 340, 22.12.2007, p. 66).’

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<sup>1</sup> OJ L 257, 25.9.2008, p. 29.

<sup>2</sup> OJ L 340, 22.12.2007, p. 66.

*Article 2*

The texts of Regulation (EC) No 1569/2007 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 5 July 2008, 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 Union*.

Done at Brussels, 4 July 2008.

*For the EEA Joint Committee  
The President*

*H. S. H. Prinz Nikolaus von Liechtenstein*

*The Secretaries  
to the EEA Joint Committee*

*Bergdis Ellertsdóttir Matthias Brinkmann*

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\* Constitutional requirements indicated.

**Joint Declaration by the Contracting Parties**  
**to Decision No 80/2008 incorporating Regulation (EC) No 1569/2007 into the Agreement**

‘Commission Regulation (EC) No 1569/2007 of 21 December 2007 establishing a mechanism for the determination of equivalence of accounting standards applied by third country issuers of securities pursuant to Directives 2003/71/EC and 2004/109/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council deals in several Articles with equivalence requirements for third countries. The incorporation of this Regulation is without prejudice to the scope of the EEA Agreement.’