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**DECISION OF THE EEA JOINT COMMITTEE**  
**No 21/2009**

**of 17 March 2009**

**amending Annex I (Veterinary and phytosanitary matters)**  
**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 I to the Agreement was amended by Decision of the EEA Joint Committee No 111/2008 of 7 November 2008<sup>1</sup>.
- (2) Regulation (EC) No 1760/2000 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 17 July 2000 establishing a system for the identification and registration of bovine animals and regarding the labelling of beef and beef products and repealing Council Regulation (EC) No 820/97<sup>2</sup> is to be incorporated into the Agreement.
- (3) Commission Regulation (EC) No 1082/2003 of 23 June 2003 laying down detailed rules for the implementation of Regulation (EC) No 1760/2000 of the European Parliament and of the Council as regards the minimum level of controls to be carried out in the framework of the system for the identification and registration of bovine animals<sup>3</sup> is to be incorporated into the Agreement.
- (4) Commission Regulation (EC) No 499/2004 of 17 March 2004 amending Regulation (EC) No 1082/2003 as regards the time limit and the model for reporting in the bovine sector<sup>4</sup> is to be incorporated into the Agreement.
- (5) Commission Regulation (EC) No 911/2004 of 29 April 2004 implementing Regulation (EC) No 1760/2000 of the European Parliament and of the Council as regards eartags, passports and holding registers<sup>5</sup> is to be incorporated into the Agreement.
- (6) Commission Regulation (EC) No 644/2005 of 27 April 2005 authorising a special identification system for bovine animals kept for cultural and historical purposes on

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<sup>1</sup> OJ L 339, 18.12.2008, p. 98.

<sup>2</sup> OJ L 204, 11.8.2000, p. 1.

<sup>3</sup> OJ L 156, 25.6.2003, p. 9.

<sup>4</sup> OJ L 80, 18.3.2004, p. 24.

<sup>5</sup> OJ L 163, 30.4.2004, p. 65.

approved premises as provided for in Regulation (EC) No 1760/2000 of the European Parliament and of the Council<sup>6</sup> is to be incorporated into the Agreement.

- (7) Commission Decision 2004/764/EC of 22 October 2004 concerning an extension of the maximum period laid down for the application of eartags to certain bovine animals kept in nature reserves in the Netherlands<sup>7</sup> is to be incorporated into the Agreement.
- (8) Commission Decision 2006/28/EC of 18 January 2006 on extension of the maximum period for applying eartags to certain bovine animals<sup>8</sup> is to be incorporated into the Agreement.
- (9) Commission Decision 2006/132/EC of 13 February 2006 recognising the fully operational character of the Italian database for bovine animals<sup>9</sup> is to be incorporated into the Agreement.
- (10) Council Regulation (EC) No 1791/2006<sup>10</sup> and Council Regulation (EC) No 1792/2006<sup>11</sup> are already incorporated into the Agreement, but should be added as amending acts to Regulation (EC) No 1760/2000 and Regulation (EC) No 911/2004 respectively.
- (11) Regulation (EC) No 1760/2000 repeals Council Regulation (EC) No 820/97<sup>12</sup>, which is incorporated into the Agreement and is therefore to be repealed under the Agreement.
- (12) Regulation (EC) No 1082/2003 repeals Commission Regulation (EC) No 2630/97<sup>13</sup>, which is incorporated into the Agreement and is therefore to be repealed under the Agreement.
- (13) Regulation (EC) No 911/2004 repeals Commission Regulation (EC) No 2629/97<sup>14</sup>, which is incorporated into the Agreement and is therefore to be repealed under the Agreement.
- (14) Decision 2006/28/EC repeals Commission Decision 98/589/EC<sup>15</sup> which is incorporated into the Agreement and is therefore to be repealed under the Agreement.
- (15) Commission Regulation (EC) No 2628/97<sup>16</sup> which is incorporated into the Agreement has expired and is therefore to be repealed under the Agreement.
- (16) This Decision shall apply to Iceland with the transitional period specified in paragraph 2 of the Introductory Part of Chapter I of Annex I.

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<sup>6</sup> OJ L 107, 28.4.2005, p. 18.

<sup>7</sup> OJ L 339, 16.11.2004, p. 9.

<sup>8</sup> OJ L 19, 24.1.2006, p. 32.

<sup>9</sup> OJ L 52, 23.2.2006, p. 33.

<sup>10</sup> OJ L 363, 20.12.2006, p. 1.

<sup>11</sup> OJ L 362, 20.12.2006, p. 1.

<sup>12</sup> OJ L 117, 7.5.1997, p. 1.

<sup>13</sup> OJ L 354, 30.12.1997, p. 23.

<sup>14</sup> OJ L 354, 30.12.1997, p. 19.

<sup>15</sup> OJ L 283, 21.10.1998, p. 19.

<sup>16</sup> OJ L 354, 30.12.1997, p. 17.

(17) This Decision is not to apply to Liechtenstein,

HAS DECIDED AS FOLLOWS:

*Article 1*

Annex I to the Agreement shall be amended as specified in the Annex to this Decision.

*Article 2*

The texts of Regulations (EC) Nos 1760/2000, 1082/2003, 499/2004, 911/2004 and 644/2005 and Decisions 2004/764/EC, 2006/28/EC and 2006/132/EC 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 18 March 2009, 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, 17 March 2009.

*For the EEA Joint Committee  
The President*

*Alan Seatter*

*The Secretaries  
to the EEA Joint Committee*

*Bergdis Ellertsdóttir Matthias Brinkmann*

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\* Constitutional requirements indicated.

## ANNEX

### to the Decision of the EEA Joint Committee No 21/2009

Chapter I of Annex I to the Agreement shall be amended as follows:

1. The text of point 7a (Council Regulation (EC) No 820/97) in Part 1.1 shall be deleted.
2. The following point shall be inserted after point 7b (Commission Regulation (EC) No 21/2004) in Part 1.1:
  - ‘7c. **32000 R 1760**: Regulation (EC) No 1760/2000 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 17 July 2000 establishing a system for the identification and registration of bovine animals and regarding the labelling of beef and beef products and repealing Council Regulation (EC) No 820/97 (OJ L 204, 11.8.2000, p. 1), as amended by:
    - **32006 R 1791**: Council Regulation (EC) No 1791/2006 of 20 November 2006 (OJ L 363, 20.12.2006, p. 1).’
3. The texts of points 70 (Commission Regulation (EC) No 2628/97), 71 (Commission Regulation (EC) No 2629/97) and 72 (Commission Regulation (EC) No 2630/97) in Part 1.2 shall be deleted.
4. The following shall be inserted after point 139 (Commission Decision 2007/363/EC) in Part 1.2:
  - ‘140. **32003 R 1082**: Commission Regulation (EC) No 1082/2003 of 23 June 2003 laying down detailed rules for the implementation of Regulation (EC) No 1760/2000 of the European Parliament and of the Council as regards the minimum level of controls to be carried out in the framework of the system for the identification and registration of bovine animals (OJ L 156, 25.6.2003, p. 9), as amended by:
    - **32004 R 0499**: Commission Regulation (EC) No 499/2004 of 17 March 2004 (OJ L 80, 18.3.2004, p. 24).
  141. **32004 R 0911**: Commission Regulation (EC) No 911/2004 of 29 April 2004 implementing Regulation (EC) No 1760/2000 of the European Parliament and of the Council as regards eartags, passports and holding registers (OJ L 163, 30.4.2004, p. 65), as amended by:
    - **32006 R 1792**: Council Regulation (EC) No 1792/2006 of 23 October 2006 (OJ L 362, 20.12.2006, p. 1).

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

In Annex I to this Regulation, the following shall be added:

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142. **32005 R 0644**: Commission Regulation (EC) No 644/2005 of 27 April 2005 authorising a special identification system for bovine animals kept for cultural and historical purposes on approved premises as provided for in Regulation (EC) No 1760/2000 of the European Parliament and of the Council (OJ L 107, 28.4.2005, p. 18).
143. **32006 D 0028**: Commission Decision 2006/28/EC of 18 January 2006 on extension of the maximum period for applying eartags to certain bovine animals (OJ L 19, 24.1.2006, p. 32).’
5. Under the heading ‘*ACTS OF WHICH THE EFTA STATES AND THE EFTA SURVEILLANCE AUTHORITY SHALL TAKE DUE ACCOUNT*’ in Part 1.2, the text of point 2 (Commission Decision 98/589/EC) shall be deleted.
6. Under the heading ‘*ACTS OF WHICH THE EFTA STATES AND THE EFTA SURVEILLANCE AUTHORITY SHALL TAKE DUE ACCOUNT*’ in Part 1.2, the following points shall be inserted after point 23 (Commission Decision 2006/615/EC):
- ‘24. **32004 D 0764**: Commission Decision 2004/764/EC of 22 October 2004 concerning an extension of the maximum period laid down for the application of eartags to certain bovine animals kept in nature reserves in the Netherlands (OJ L 339, 16.11.2004, p. 9).
25. **32006 D 0132**: Commission Decision 2006/132/EC of 13 February 2006 recognising the fully operational character of the Italian database for bovine animals (OJ L 52, 23.2.2006, p. 33).’