

## DECISION OF THE EEA JOINT COMMITTEE

No 101/2012

of 30 April 2012

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

THE EEA JOINT COMMITTEE,

designation of European critical infrastructures and the assessment of the need to improve their protection (OJ L 345, 23.12.2008, p. 75).

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,

(b) With a view to achieving the aims set out in Directive 2008/114/EC, the Contracting Parties shall make use of the appropriate forms of cooperation mentioned in Article 80 of the Agreement.

Whereas:

(1) Protocol 31 to the Agreement was amended by Decision of the EEA Joint Committee No 92/2011 of 19 July 2011 <sup>(1)</sup>.

(c) By virtue of Article 79(3) of the Agreement Part VII (Institutional Provisions) of the Agreement, with the exception of Sections 1 and 2 of Chapter 3, shall apply to this paragraph.'

(2) It is appropriate to extend the cooperation of the Contracting Parties to the Agreement to include Council Directive 2008/114/EC of 8 December 2008 on the identification and designation of European critical infrastructures and the assessment of the need to improve their protection <sup>(2)</sup>,

*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 (\*).

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

*Article 3**Article 1*

The following paragraph shall be inserted after paragraph 8 of Article 10 of Protocol 31 to the Agreement:

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

'9. (a) The Contracting Parties shall cooperate with each other in the fields covered by the following act:

Done at Brussels, 30 April 2012.

— **32008 L 0114**: Council Directive 2008/114/EC of 8 December 2008 on the identification and

For the EEA Joint Committee  
The Acting President  
Gianluca GRIPPA

<sup>(1)</sup> OJ L 262, 6.10.2011, p. 64.

<sup>(2)</sup> OJ L 345, 23.12.2008, p. 75.

(\*) Constitutional requirements indicated.