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(Other acts)

EUROPEAN ECONOMIC AREA

DECISION OF THE EEA JOINT COMMITTEE

No 1/2013

of 1 February 2013

amending Annex I (Veterinary and phytosanitary matters) to the EEA Agreement

THE EEA JOINT COMMITTEE,

territory to be considered free from bluetongue ⁽⁴⁾ is to be incorporated into the EEA Agreement.

Having regard to the Agreement on the European Economic Area ('the EEA Agreement'), and in particular Article 98 thereof,

Whereas:

- (1) Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) No 456/2012 of 30 May 2012 amending Regulation (EC) No 1266/2007 on implementing rules for Council Directive 2000/75/EC as regards the control, monitoring, surveillance and restrictions on movements of certain animals of susceptible species in relation to bluetongue ⁽¹⁾ is to be incorporated into the EEA Agreement.
- (2) Directive 2012/5/EU of the European Parliament and of the Council of 14 March 2012 amending Council Directive 2000/75/EC as regards vaccination against bluetongue ⁽²⁾ is to be incorporated into the EEA Agreement.
- (3) Commission Implementing Decision 2012/204/EU of 19 April 2012 amending the Annexes to Decision 2003/467/EC as regards the declaration of Latvia as officially brucellosis-free Member State and of certain regions of Italy, Poland and Portugal as officially tuberculosis-free, brucellosis-free and enzootic-bovine-leukosis-free regions ⁽³⁾ is to be incorporated into the EEA Agreement.
- (4) Commission Implementing Decision 2012/253/EU of 10 May 2012 amending Annex II to Council Directive 2004/68/EC as regards the basic general criteria for a
- (5) Commission Implementing Decision 2012/303/EU of 11 June 2012 amending Decision 2003/467/EC as regards the declaration of Lithuania as officially enzootic-bovine-leukosis-free Member State ⁽⁵⁾ is to be incorporated into the EEA Agreement.
- (6) Commission Implementing Decision 2012/304/EU of 11 June 2012 authorising laboratories in Croatia and in Mexico to carry out serological tests to monitor the effectiveness of rabies vaccines ⁽⁶⁾ is to be incorporated into the EEA Agreement.
- (7) This Decision concerns legislation regarding live animals other than fish and aquaculture animals. Legislation concerning these matters shall not apply to Iceland, as specified in paragraph 2 of the Introductory Part of Chapter I of Annex I to the EEA Agreement. This Decision is therefore not to apply to Iceland.
- (8) This Decision concerns legislation regarding veterinary matters. Legislation regarding veterinary matters shall not apply to Liechtenstein as long as the application of the Agreement between the European Community and the Swiss Confederation on trade in agricultural products is extended to Liechtenstein, as specified in the sectoral adaptations to Annex I to the EEA Agreement. This Decision is therefore not to apply to Liechtenstein.
- (9) Annex I to the EEA Agreement should therefore be amended accordingly,

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 141, 31.5.2012, p. 7.⁽²⁾ OJ L 81, 21.3.2012, p. 1.⁽³⁾ OJ L 109, 21.4.2012, p. 26.⁽⁴⁾ OJ L 125, 12.5.2012, p. 51.⁽⁵⁾ OJ L 152, 13.6.2012, p. 48.⁽⁶⁾ OJ L 152, 13.6.2012, p. 50.

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

Article 1

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

(1) the following indent is added in point 9a (Council Directive 2000/75/EC) in Part 3.1:

‘— **32012 L 0005**: Directive 2012/5/EU of the European Parliament and of the Council of 14 March 2012 (OJ L 81, 21.3.2012, p. 1).’;

(2) the following indent is added in point 40 (Commission Regulation (EC) No 1266/2007) in Part 3.2:

‘— **32012 R 0456**: Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) No 456/2012 of 30 May 2012 (OJ L 141, 31.5.2012, p. 7).’;

(3) the following is inserted after point 54 (Council Decision 2000/258/EC) in Part 4.2:

‘54a. **32012 D 0304**: Commission Implementing Decision 2012/304/EU of 11 June 2012 authorising laboratories in Croatia and in Mexico to carry out serological tests to monitor the effectiveness of rabies vaccines (OJ L 152, 13.6.2012, p. 50).

This act shall not apply to Iceland.’;

(4) the following indents are added in point 70 (Commission Decision 2003/467/EC) in Part 4.2:

‘— **32012 D 0204**: Commission Implementing Decision 2012/204/EU of 19 April 2012 (OJ L 109, 21.4.2012, p. 26),

— **32012 D 0303**: Commission Implementing Decision 2012/303/EU of 11 June 2012 (OJ L 152, 13.6.2012, p. 48).’;

(5) the following is added in point 16a (Council Directive 2004/68/EC) in Part 8.1:

‘, as amended by:

— **32012 D 0253**: Commission Implementing Decision 2012/253/EU of 10 May 2012 (OJ L 125, 12.5.2012, p. 51).’

Article 2

The texts of Implementing Regulation (EU) No 456/2012, Directive 2012/5/EU, Implementing Decisions 2012/204/EU, 2012/253/EU, 2012/303/EU and 2012/304/EU in the Norwegian language, 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 2 February 2013, provided that all the notifications under Article 103(1) of the EEA Agreement have been made (*).

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, 1 February 2013.

For the EEA Joint Committee

The President

Gianluca GRIPPA

(*) No constitutional requirements indicated.