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*(Other acts)*

## EUROPEAN ECONOMIC AREA

## DECISION OF THE EEA JOINT COMMITTEE

No 35/2018

of 23 March 2018

**amending Annex I (Veterinary and phytosanitary matters) to the EEA Agreement [2020/52]**

THE EEA JOINT COMMITTEE,

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

Whereas:

- (1) Commission Regulation (EU) 2017/1978 of 31 October 2017 amending Annex III to Regulation (EC) No 853/2004 of the European Parliament and of the Council laying down specific hygiene rules for food of animal origin as regard echinoderms harvested outside classified production areas <sup>(1)</sup> is to be incorporated into the EEA Agreement.
- (2) Commission Regulation (EU) 2017/1979 of 31 October 2017 amending Annex II to Regulation (EC) No 854/2004 of the European Parliament and of the Council laying down specific rules for the organisation of official controls on products of animal origin intended for human consumption as regard echinoderms harvested outside classified production areas <sup>(2)</sup> is to be incorporated into the EEA Agreement.
- (3) Commission Regulation (EU) 2017/1981 of 31 October 2017 amending Annex III to Regulation (EC) No 853/2004 of the European Parliament and of the Council as regards temperature conditions during transport of meat <sup>(3)</sup> is to be incorporated into the EEA Agreement.
- (4) 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.
- (5) Annex I to the EEA Agreement should therefore be amended accordingly,

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<sup>(1)</sup> OJ L 285, 1.11.2017, p. 3.

<sup>(2)</sup> OJ L 285, 1.11.2017, p. 6.

<sup>(3)</sup> OJ L 285, 1.11.2017, p. 10.

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 12 (Regulation (EC) No 854/2004 of the European Parliament and of the Council) in Part 1.1:  
‘— **32017 R 1979**: Commission Regulation (EU) 2017/1979 of 31 October 2017 (OJ L 285, 1.11.2017, p. 6).’
- (2) The following indents are added in point 17 (Regulation (EC) No 853/2004 of the European Parliament and of the Council) in Part 6.1:  
‘— **32017 R 1978**: Commission Regulation (EU) 2017/1978 of 31 October 2017 (OJ L 285, 1.11.2017, p. 3),  
— **32017 R 1981**: Commission Regulation (EU) 2017/1981 of 31 October 2017 (OJ L 285, 1.11.2017, p. 10).’

*Article 2*

The texts of Regulations (EU) 2017/1978, (EU) 2017/1979 and (EU) 2017/1981 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 24 March 2018, 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, 23 March 2018.

*For the EEA Joint Committee*  
*The President*  
Claude MAERTEN

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(\*) No constitutional requirements indicated.