DECISION OF THE EEA JOINT COMMITTEE

No 98/2012

of 30 April 2012

amending Annex XXI (Statistics) 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 XXI to the Agreement was amended by Decision of the EEA Joint Committee No 73/2012 of 30 March 2012 (1).
- (2) Regulation (EU) No 691/2011 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 6 July 2011 on European environmental economic accounts (2) is to be incorporated into the Agreement,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

Article 1

The following point shall be inserted after point 27b (Commission Regulation (EC) No 1445/2005) of Annex XXI to the Agreement:

'27c. **32011 R 0691**: Regulation (EU) No 691/2011 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 6 July 2011 on European environmental economic accounts (OJ L 192, 22.7.2011, p. 1).

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

- (a) With regard to Iceland, Annexes I, II and III to the Regulation shall be implemented within 2 years from the first transmission deadline.
- (b) This Regulation shall not apply to Liechtenstein.'

Article 2

The text of Regulation (EU) No 691/2011 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 1 May 2012, 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, 30 April 2012.

For the EEA Joint Committee
The Acting President
Gianluca GRIPPA

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 207, 2.8.2012, p. 53.

⁽²⁾ OJ L 192, 22.7.2011, p. 1.

^(*) Constitutional requirements indicated.