

DECISION OF THE EEA JOINT COMMITTEE

No 198/2013

of 8 November 2013

amending Annex II (Technical regulations, standards, testing and certification) to the EEA Agreement

THE EEA JOINT COMMITTEE,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

Article 1

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

The following indent is added in point 9 (Regulation (EC) No 110/2008 of the European Parliament and of the Council) of Chapter XXVII of Annex II to the EEA Agreement:

Whereas:

— **32012 R 0164**: Commission Regulation (EU) No 164/2012 of 24 February 2012 (OJ L 53, 25.2.2012, p. 1).'

Article 2

- (1) Commission Regulation (EU) No 164/2012 of 24 February 2012 amending Annex III to Regulation (EC) No 110/2008 of the European Parliament and of the Council on the definition, description, presentation, labelling and the protection of geographical indications of spirit drinks ⁽¹⁾ is to be incorporated into the EEA Agreement.

The text of Regulation (EU) No 164/2012 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 9 November 2013, provided that all the notifications under Article 103(1) of the EEA Agreement have been made (*).

Article 4

- (2) This Decision concerns legislation regarding spirit drinks. Legislation regarding spirit drinks 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 introduction to Chapter XXVII of Annex II to the EEA Agreement. This Decision is therefore not to apply to Liechtenstein.

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, 8 November 2013.

For the EEA Joint Committee

- (3) Annex II to the EEA Agreement should therefore be amended accordingly,

The President

Thórir IBSEN

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 53, 25.2.2012, p. 1.

(*) No constitutional requirements indicated.