

DECISION OF THE EEA JOINT COMMITTEE**No 223/2013****of 13 December 2013****amending Annex II (Technical regulations, standards, testing and certification) to the EEA Agreement**

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 Directive 2009/135/EC of 3 November 2009 allowing temporary derogations to certain eligibility criteria for whole blood and blood components donors laid down in Annex III to Directive 2004/33/EC in the context of a risk of shortage caused by the Influenza A(H1N1) pandemic ⁽¹⁾, which is incorporated into the EEA Agreement, expired on 30 June 2010 and consequently the reference thereto should be deleted from the EEA Agreement.
- (2) For practical reasons, the acts listed under the heading 'ACTS OF WHICH THE CONTRACTING PARTIES SHALL TAKE NOTE' in Chapter XIII of Annex II shall be renumbered.
- (3) Annex II to the EEA Agreement should therefore be amended accordingly,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

Article 1

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

1. The text of point 15zk (Directive 2009/135/EC) is deleted.
2. Under the heading 'ACTS OF WHICH THE CONTRACTING PARTIES SHALL TAKE NOTE' points 16 (Commission Communication 310/86) to 18 (Commission Decision 2010/453/EU) are renumbered points 1 to 3.

Article 2

This Decision shall enter into force on 14 December 2013, provided that all the notifications under Article 103(1) of the EEA Agreement have been made ^(*).

Article 3

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, 13 December 2013.

For the EEA Joint Committee
The President
Thórir IBSEN

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 288, 4.11.2009, p. 7.

^(*) No constitutional requirements indicated.