

DECISION OF THE EEA JOINT COMMITTEE

No 301/2014

of 12 December 2014

amending Protocol 31 to the EEA Agreement, on cooperation in specific fields outside the four freedoms [2015/2168]

THE EEA JOINT COMMITTEE,

Having regard to the Agreement on the European Economic Area ('the EEA Agreement'), and in particular Articles 86 and Article 98 thereof,

Whereas:

- (1) It is appropriate to extend the cooperation of the Contracting Parties to the EEA Agreement to include Commission Recommendation 2012/73/EU of 6 February 2012 on data protection guidelines for the Early Warning and Response System (EWRS) ⁽¹⁾.
- (2) Protocol 31 to the EEA Agreement should therefore be amended in order to allow for this extended cooperation to take place,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

Article 1

The following is added in the second indent (Decision No 2119/98/EC of the European Parliament and the Council) in paragraph 1 of Article 16 of Protocol 31 to the EEA Agreement:

'In the context of the cooperation provided for under this indent, the EFTA States shall take note of the following act:

- **32012 H 0073**: Commission Recommendation 2012/73/EU of 6 February 2012 on data protection guidelines for the Early Warning and Response System (EWRS) (OJ L 36, 9.2.2012, p. 31).'

Article 2

The text of Recommendation 2012/73/EU 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 13 December 2014, 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, 12 December 2014.

For the EEA Joint Committee
The President
Kurt JÄGER

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 36, 9.2.2012, p. 31.

(*) No constitutional requirements indicated.