## Declaration by the EFTA States to Decision No 203/2016 incorporating Regulations (EU) No 513/ 2011 and (EU) No 462/2013 into the Agreement

Regulation (EC) No 1060/2009, as amended by Regulations (EU) No 513/2011 and (EU) No 462/2013, notably regulates the use for regulatory purposes of credit ratings issued by third-country credit rating agencies, lays down the conditions under which the Commission may recognise the legal and supervisory framework of a third country as equivalent to the requirements of the Regulation, and further provides for the possibility for third-country undertakings to be certified by ESMA so as to facilitate the use of their credit ratings. The incorporation of this Regulation into the EEA Agreement is without prejudice to the scope of the EEA Agreement as regards third-country relations.