

**DECISION OF THE EEA JOINT COMMITTEE**  
**No 321/2019**  
**of 13 December 2019**  
**amending Annex XX (Environment) to the EEA Agreement [2020/339]**

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) Directive (EU) 2015/412 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 11 March 2015 amending Directive 2001/18/EC as regards the possibility for the Member States to restrict or prohibit the cultivation of genetically modified organisms (GMOs) in their territory <sup>(1)</sup>, as corrected by OJ L 82, 26.3.2018, p. 17, is to be incorporated into the EEA Agreement.
- (2) Annex XX to the EEA Agreement should therefore be amended accordingly,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

*Article 1*

Annex XX to the EEA Agreement shall be amended as follows:

- (1) the following is added in point 25d (Directive 2001/18/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council):

‘, as amended by:

— **32015 L 0412**: Directive (EU) 2015/412 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 11 March 2015 (OJ L 68, 13.3.2015, p. 1), as corrected by OJ L 82, 26.3.2018, p. 17.’;

- (2) the following is added to the adaptation text in point 25d (Directive 2001/18/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council):

‘(e) In Article 26c(1), as regards the EFTA States, the words “From 2 April 2015 until 3 October 2015” shall be replaced with “Until six months after the entry into force of Decision of the EEA Joint Committee No 321/2019 of 13 December 2019”, and the words “before 2 April 2015” shall be replaced with “before the entry into force of Decision of the EEA Joint Committee No 321/2019 of 13 December 2019”.’

*Article 2*

The text of Directive (EU) 2015/412, as corrected by OJ L 82, 26.3.2018, p. 17, 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 14 December 2019, 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, 13 December 2019.

*For the EEA Joint Committee*

*The President*

Gunnar PÁLSSON

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<sup>(1)</sup> OJ L 68, 13.3.2015, p. 1.

(\*) No constitutional requirements indicated.