DECISION OF THE EEA JOINT COMMITTEE No 161/2020

of 23 October 2020

amending Annex IX (Financial services) to the EEA Agreement [2023/1736]

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 Implementing Decision (EU) 2020/1308 of 21 September 2020 determining, for a limited period of time, that the regulatory framework applicable to central counterparties in the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland is equivalent, in accordance with Regulation (EU) No 648/2012 of the European Parliament and of the Council (¹) is to be incorporated into the EEA Agreement.

(2) Annex IX to the EEA Agreement should therefore be amended accordingly,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

Article 1

The following point is inserted after point 31bcax (Commission Implementing Decision (EU) 2019/684) of Annex IX to the EEA Agreement:

'31bcay. **32020 D 1308**: Commission Implementing Decision (EU) 2020/1308 of 21 September 2020 determining, for a limited period of time, that the regulatory framework applicable to central counterparties in the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland is equivalent, in accordance with Regulation (EU) No 648/2012 of the European Parliament and of the Council (OJ L 306, 21.9.2020, p. 1).'

Article 2

The text of Implementing Decision (EU) 2020/1308 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 24 October 2020, 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, 23 October 2020.

For the EEA Joint Committee
The President
Sabine MONAUNI

(¹) OJ L 306, 21.9.2020, p. 1.
* No constitutional requirements indicated.