

**DECISION OF THE EEA JOINT COMMITTEE**  
**No 242/2020**

**of 30 December 2020**

**amending Annex XIII (Transport) 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) Regulation (EU) 2020/2224 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 23 December 2020 on common rules ensuring basic road freight and road passenger connectivity following the end of the transition period provided for in the Agreement on the withdrawal of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland from the European Union and the European Atomic Energy Community<sup>1</sup> is to be incorporated into the EEA Agreement.
- (2) This decision relates to the incorporation, into the EEA Agreement, of EU unilateral contingency measures adopted in order to ensure the good functioning of the internal market following the end of the transition period mentioned in the Agreement on the withdrawal of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland from the European Union and the European Atomic Energy Community. The EEA Agreement is not designed to address the relations between the EEA States and the UK, as a third State. Therefore, the incorporation is accepted on an exceptional basis and under condition that the application of the contingency measures is limited to the very short period of time after the end of the transition period. The incorporation cannot be used as a precedent in the future and in other cases related to the EU measures affecting third countries.
- (3) Annex XIII to the EEA Agreement should therefore be amended accordingly,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

*Article 1*

The following is inserted after point 26f (Regulation (EU) 2019/501 of the European Parliament and of the Council) of Annex XIII to the EEA Agreement:

- ‘26g. **32020 R 2224:** Regulation (EU) 2020/2224 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 23 December 2020 on common rules ensuring basic road freight and road passenger connectivity following the end of the transition period provided for in the Agreement on the withdrawal of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland from the European Union and the European Atomic Energy Community (OJ L 437, 28.12.2020, p. 74).

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<sup>1</sup> OJ L 437, 28.12.2020, p. 74.

The provisions of the Regulation shall, for the purposes of this Agreement, be read with the following adaptation:

As regards the EFTA States, Article 5 shall not apply.’

*Article 2*

The text of Regulation (EU) 2020/2224 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 30 December 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, 30 December 2020.

*For the EEA Joint Committee  
The President*

*Sabine Monauni*

*The Secretaries  
To the EEA Joint Committee*

*Hege M. Hoff*

*Mikołaj Karłowski*

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\* No constitutional requirements indicated.