DECISION OF THE EEA JOINT COMMITTEE

No 46/2003

of 16 May 2003

amending Annex VI (Social security) to the EEA Agreement

THE EEA JOINT COMMITTEE,

Having regard to the Agreement on the European Economic Area, as amended by the Protocol adjusting the Agreement on the European Economic Area, hereinafter referred to as 'the Agreement', and in particular Article 98 thereof,

Whereas:

(1) Annex VI to the Agreement was amended by Decision of the EEA Joint Committee No 12/2003 of 31 January 2003 [1].

(2) Commission Regulation (EC) No 410/2002 of 27 February 2002 amending Council Regulation (EEC) No 574/72 laying down the procedure for implementing Regulation (EEC) No 1408/71 on the application of social security schemes to employed persons, to self-employed persons and to members of their families moving within the Community [2] is to be incorporated into the Agreement.

(3) Due to alterations of the responsibilities and/or the names and designations of the ministries concerned, as well as due to recent changes of Norwegian legislation on social security and health services, certain adaptations to Council Regulation (EEC) No 574/72 [3], as subsequently amended, have to be changed,

HAS DECIDED AS FOLLOWS:

Article 1

Point 2 (Regulation (EEC) No 574/72) of Annex VI to the Agreement shall be amended as follows:

1. The following indent shall be added:

'— **32002 R 0410**: Commission Regulation (EC) No 410/2002 (OJ L 62, 5.3.2002, p. 17).'

2. The text of point R (Norway) in adaptation (a) shall be replaced with the following:

'1. Sosialdepartementet (Ministry of Social Affairs), Oslo.

2. Helsedepartementet (Ministry of Health), Oslo.

3. Arbeids- og administrasjonsdepartementet (Ministry of Labour and Government Administration), Oslo.

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[1] OJ L 94, 10.4.2003, p. 65.
[2] OJ L 62, 5.3.2002, p. 17.
[3] OJ L 74, 27.3.1972, p. 1.

4. Barne- og familiedepartementet (Ministry of Children and Family Affairs), Oslo.

5. Justisdepartementet (Ministry of Justice), Oslo.

6. Utenriksdepartementet (Ministry of Foreign Affairs), Oslo.'

3. The text of point R (Norway) in adaptation (l) shall be replaced with the following:

'The average annual cost of benefits in kind shall be calculated by taking into consideration the benefits provided under chapter 5 of the National Insurance Act (Act 28 February 1997), under the Act 19 November 1982 on Municipal Health Care and under the Act 2 July 1999 on Specialised Health Services etc.'

Article 2

The texts of Regulation (EC) No 410/2002 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 17 May 2003, provided that all the notifications under Article 103(1) of the Agreement have been made to the EEA Joint Committee (*).

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, 16 May 2003.

For the EEA Joint Committee

The President

P. WESTERLUND

(*) No constitutional requirements indicated.