DECISION OF THE EEA JOINT COMMITTEE

No 86/2001

of 19 June 2001

amending Annex XXI (statistics) 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 XXI to the Agreement was amended by Decision No 57/2001 of the Joint Committee of the EEA of 18 May 2001 ([1]).

(2) Decision of the EEA Council No 1/95 of 10 March 1995 on the entry into force of the Agreement on the European Economic Area for the Principality of Liechtenstein ([2]) provides that Liechtenstein shall transmit data in the field of foreign trade statistics, as required by relevant provisions of the Agreement as of 1 January 1999.

(3) A review of this obligation was to be undertaken by the EEA Joint Committee at the end of the transitional period, taking into account the specific situation of Liechtenstein.

(4) As a result of the aforesaid review, Liechtenstein is to be exempted from the collection of certain foreign trade statistics,

HAS DECIDED AS FOLLOWS:

Article 1

Annex XXI to the Agreement shall be amended as follows:

1. The first paragraph after the heading 'Foreign Trade Statistics' shall be deleted.

2. The following shall be added in point 8 (Council Regulation (EC) No 1172/95) after the adaptation text:

'(e) Liechtenstein shall collect the data required by this Regulation as from 1 January 2000.

(f) Liechtenstein shall be exempted from collecting data on trade between Switzerland and Liechtenstein.

(g) Liechtenstein shall only collect data on direct imports and exports.

(h) Liechtenstein shall be exempted from collecting data on trade in coins and bars of gold and silver.

(i) The words "including electric current" in Article 2(b) shall not apply to Liechtenstein.

(j) Liechtenstein shall provide only six digit level information under Article 8(2).

([1]) OJ L 165, 21.6.2001, p. 63.
([2]) OJ L 86, 20.4.1995, p. 58.

(k) As regards Liechtenstein, the nationality of the means of transport crossing the frontier in Article 10(1)(i) only applies to road transport.

(l) Liechtenstein is exempted from transmitting the data required in Article 10(1)(j).

(m) As regards Liechtenstein, statistical results covered by Article 13(1) which make it possible to indirectly identify exporters and importers shall not be disseminated and only two digit level information of the Harmonised System shall be disseminated.'

3. The following shall be added after the adaptation text in point 10 (Commission Regulation (EC) No 840/96):

'(f) Code No 7 in Articles 6(4)(a) and 6(4)(b) shall not apply to Liechtenstein;

(g) "Own propulsion" as a mode of transport under Article 10(3) is not used for Liechtenstein.'

Article 2

This Decision shall enter into force on 20 June 2001, provided that all the notifications under Article 103(1) of the Agreement have been made to the EEA Joint Committee (*).

Article 3

This Decision shall be published in the EEA Section of, and in the EEA Supplement to, the *Official Journal of the European Communities*.

Done at Brussels, 19 June 2001.

For the EEA Joint Committee
The President
P. WESTERLUND

(*) No constitutional requirements indicated.