DECISION OF THE EEA JOINT COMMITTEE No 71/2006

of 2 June 2006

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 of the EEA Joint Committee No 52/2006 of 28 April 2006 [1].

(2) Commission Regulation (EC) No 1708/2005 of 19 October 2005 laying down detailed rules for the implementation of Council Regulation (EC) No 2494/95 as regards the common index reference period for the harmonised index of consumer prices, and amending Regulation (EC) No 2214/96 [2] is to be incorporated into the Agreement.

(3) Commission Regulation (EC) No 1737/2005 of 21 October 2005 amending Regulation (EC) No 1726/1999 as regards the definition and transmission of information on labour costs [3] is to be incorporated into the Agreement.

(4) Commission Regulation (EC) No 1738/2005 of 21 October 2005 amending Regulation (EC) No 1916/2000 as regards the definition and transmission of information on the structure of earnings [4] is to be incorporated into the Agreement,

HAS DECIDED AS FOLLOWS:

Article 1

Annex XXI to the Agreement shall be amended as follows:

1. The following point shall be inserted after point 19u (Commission Regulation (EC) No 1722/2005):

'19v. **32005 R 1708**: Commission Regulation (EC) No 1708/2005 of 19 October 2005 laying down detailed rules for the implementation of Council Regulation (EC) No 2494/95 as regards the common index reference period for the harmonised index of consumer prices, and amending Regulation (EC) No 2214/96 (OJ L 274, 20.10.2005, p. 9).'

2. The following indent shall be added in point 19c (Commission Regulation (EC) No 2214/96):

'— **32005 R 1708**: Commission Regulation (EC) No 1708/2005 of 19 October 2005 (OJ L 274, 20.10.2005, p. 9).'

3. The following shall be added in point 18e (Commission Regulation (EC) No 1726/1999):

', as amended by:

— **32005 R 1737**: Commission Regulation (EC) No 1737/2005 of 21 October 2005 (OJ L 279, 22.10.2005, p. 11).'

(1) OJ L 175, 29.6.2006, p. 103.
(2) OJ L 274, 20.10.2005, p. 9.
(3) OJ L 279, 22.10.2005, p. 11.
(4) OJ L 279, 22.10.2005, p. 32.

4. The following shall be added in point 18db (Commission Regulation (EC) No 1916/2000):

‘,as amended by:

— **32005 R 1738**: Commission Regulation (EC) No 1738/2005 of 21 October 2005 (OJ L 279, 22.10.2005, p. 32).’

Article 2

The texts of Regulations (EC) Nos 1708/2005, 1737/2005 and 1738/2005 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 3 June 2006, 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, 2 June 2006.

For the EEA Joint Committee
The President
R. WRIGHT

(*) No constitutional requirements indicated.