DECISION OF THE EEA JOINT COMMITTEE

No 134/2003

of 26 September 2003

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 95/2003 of 11 July 2003 ([1]).

(2) Regulation (EC) No 450/2003 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 27 February 2003 concerning the labour cost index ([2]), is to be incorporated into the Agreement.

(3) This Decision is not to apply to Liechtenstein,

HAS DECIDED AS FOLLOWS:

Article 1

The following point shall be inserted after point 18f (Commission Regulation (EC) No 72/2002) of Annex XXI to the Agreement:

'18g. **32003 R 0450**: Regulation (EC) No 450/2003 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 27 February 2003 concerning the labour cost index (OJ L 69, 13.3.2003, p. 1).

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

This Regulation shall not apply to Liechtenstein.'

Article 2

The texts of Regulation (EC) No 450/2003 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 27 September 2003, provided that all the notifications under Article 103(1) of the Agreement have been made to the EEA Joint Committee (*).

([1]) OJ L 272, 23.10.2003, p. 32.
([2]) OJ L 69, 13.3.2003, p. 1.
(*) No constitutional requirements indicated.

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, 26 September 2003.

For the EEA Joint Committee

The President

H. S. H. PRINZ NIKOLAUS von LIECHTENSTEIN