DECISION OF THE EEA JOINT COMMITTEE No 70/2006

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) Regulation (EC) No 1552/2005 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 7 September 2005 on statistics relating to vocational training in enterprises [2] is to be incorporated into the Agreement.

(3) Regulation (EC) No 1553/2005 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 7 September 2005 amending Regulation (EC) No 1177/2003 concerning Community statistics on income and living conditions (EU-SILC) [3] is to be incorporated into the Agreement.

(4) Commission Regulation (EC) No 1722/2005 of 20 October 2005 on the principles for estimating dwelling services for the purpose of Council Regulation (EC, Euratom) No 1287/2003 on the harmonisation of gross national income at market prices [4] is to be incorporated into the Agreement.

(5) Commission Recommendation COM(2005) 217 of 25 May 2005 on the independence, integrity and accountability of the national and Community statistical authorities [5] 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 18p (Commission Regulation (EC) No 13/2005):

'18q. **32005 R 1552**: Regulation (EC) No 1552/2005 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 7 September 2005 on statistics relating to vocational training in enterprises (OJ L 255, 30.9.2005, p. 1).

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

This Regulation shall not apply to Iceland and Liechtenstein.'

2. The following shall be added in point 18i (Regulation (EC) No 1177/2003 of the European Parliament and of the Council):

', as amended by:

— **32005 R 1553**: Regulation (EC) No 1553/2005 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 7 September 2005 (OJ L 255, 30.9.2005, p. 6).'

[1] OJ L 175, 29.6.2006, p. 103.
[2] OJ L 255, 30.9.2005, p. 1.
[3] OJ L 255, 30.9.2005, p. 6.
[4] OJ L 276, 21.10.2005, p. 5.
[5] OJ C 172, 12.7.2005, p. 22.

3. The following point shall be inserted after point 19t (Regulation (EC) No 1161/2005 of the European Parliament and of the Council):

'19u. **32005 R 1722**: Commission Regulation (EC) No 1722/2005 of 20 October 2005 on the principles for estimating dwelling services for the purpose of Council Regulation (EC, Euratom) No 1287/2003 on the harmonisation of gross national income at market prices (OJ L 276, 21.10.2005, p. 5).'

4. The following shall be inserted after point 17b (Commission Regulation (EC) No 831/2002):

'ACTS OF WHICH THE CONTRACTING PARTIES SHALL TAKE NOTE

The Contracting Parties shall take note of the content of the following act:

17c. **52005 PC 0217**: Commission Recommendation COM(2005) 217 of 25 May 2005 on the independence, integrity and accountability of the national and Community statistical authorities (OJ C 172, 12.7.2005, p. 22).'

Article 2

The texts of Regulation (EC) No 1552/2005 in the Norwegian language and Regulations (EC) Nos 1553/2005, 1722/2005 and Recommendation COM(2005) 217 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.