DECISION OF THE EEA JOINT COMMITTEE

No 168/2004

of 3 December 2004

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 102/2004 of 9 July 2004 ([1]).

(2) Decision No 192 of 29 October 2003 concerning the conditions for implementing Article 50(1)(b) of Council Regulation (EEC) No 574/72 ([2]) is to be incorporated into the Agreement.

(3) Decision No 193 of 29 October 2003 on the processing of pension claims ([3]) is to be incorporated into the Agreement.

(4) Decision No 194 of 17 December 2003 concerning the uniform application of Article 22(1)(a)(i) of Council Regulation (EEC) No 1408/71 in the Member State of stay ([4]) is to be incorporated into the Agreement.

(5) Recommendation No 23 of 29 October 2003 on the processing of pension claims ([5]) is to be incorporated into the Agreement,

HAS DECIDED AS FOLLOWS:

Article 1

Annex VI to the Agreement shall be amended as follows:

1. The following points shall be inserted after point 3.67 (Decision No 191):

'3.68 **32004 D 0324**: Decision No 192 of 29 October 2003 concerning the conditions for implementing Article 50(1)(b) of Council Regulation (EEC) No 574/72 (OJ L 104, 8.4.2004, p. 114).

([1]) OJ L 376, 23.12.2004, p. 29.
([2]) OJ L 104, 8.4.2004, p. 114.
([3]) OJ L 104, 8.4.2004, p. 123.
([4]) OJ L 104, 8.4.2004, p. 127.
([5]) OJ L 104, 8.4.2004, p. 125.

The provisions of the Decision shall, for the purposes of the present Agreement, be read with the following adaptations:

The following shall be added to point 2(4):

"ICELAND: Tryggingastofnun ríkisins (the State Social Security Institute), Reykjavik.

LIECHTENSTEIN: Liechtensteinische Alters-, Hinterlassenen- und Invalidenversicherung (Old Age, Survivors and Invalidity Insurance of Liechtenstein), Vaduz.

NORWAY: Rikstrygdeverket (The National Insurance Administration), Oslo."

3.69 **32004 D 0325**: Decision No 193 of 29 October 2003 on the processing of pension claims (OJ L 104, 8.4.2004, p. 123).

3.70 **32004 D 0327**: Decision No 194 of 17 December 2003 concerning the uniform application of Article 22(1)(a)(i) of Council Regulation (EEC) No 1408/71 in the Member State of stay (OJ L 104, 8.4.2004, p. 127).'

2. The following point shall be inserted after point 4.8 (Recommendation No 21):

'4.9 **32004 H 0326**: Recommendation No 23 of 29 October 2003 on the processing of pension claims (OJ L 104, 8.4.2004, p. 125).'

Article 2

The texts of Decisions No 192, No 193, No 194 and Recommendation No 23 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 4 December 2004, 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, 3 December 2004.

For the EEA Joint Committee
The President
Kjartan JÓHANNSSON

(*) No constitutional requirements indicated.