DECISION OF THE EEA JOINT COMMITTEE

No 78/96

of 13 December 1996

amending Annex VI (Social security) to the EEA Agreement

THE EEA JOINT COMMITTEE,

Having regard to the Agreement on the European Economic Area, as adjusted by the Protocol adjusting the Agreement on the European Economic Area, hereinafter referred to as 'the Agreement', and in particular Article 98 thereof,

Whereas Annex VI to the Agreement was amended by Decision of the EEA Joint Committee No 64/96 [1];

Whereas Decision No 163 of 31 May 1996 concerning the interpretation of Article 22 (1) (A) of Council Regulation (EEC) No 1408/71 in respect of persons undergoing dialysis or oxygen therapy, adopted by the Administrative Commission of the European Communities on social security for migrant workers [2], is to be incorporated into the Agreement,

HAS DECIDED AS FOLLOWS:

Article 1

The text of point 24 (Decision No 123) in Annex VI to the Agreement shall be deleted.

Article 2

The following point shall be inserted after point 42h (Decision No 162) in Annex VI to the Agreement:

'42i. **396 D 0555**: Decision No 163 of 31 May 1996 concerning the interpretation of Article 22 (1) (A) of Council Regulation (EEC) No 1408/71 in respect of persons undergoing dialysis or oxygen therapy (OJ No L 241, 21. 9. 1996, p. 31).'

Article 3

The texts of Decision No 163 in the Icelandic and Norwegian languages, which are annexed to the respective language versions of this Decision, are authentic.

Article 4

This Decision shall enter into force on 1 January 1997, provided that all notifications required under Article 103 (1) of the Agreement have been made to the EEA Joint Committee.

Article 5

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, 13 December 1996.

For the EEA Joint Committee

The President

H. HAFSTEIN

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[1] OJ No L 71, 13. 3. 1997, p. 34.
[2] OJ No L 241, 21. 9. 1996, p. 31.