DECISION OF THE EEA JOINT COMMITTEE

No 84/2013

of 3 May 2013

amending Annex IX (Financial services) to the EEA Agreement

THE EEA JOINT COMMITTEE,

Having regard to the Agreement on the European Economic Area ('the EEA Agreement'), and in particular Article 98 thereof,

Whereas:

(1) Commission Implementing Decision 2012/627/EU of 5 October 2012 on the recognition of the legal and supervisory framework of Australia as equivalent to the requirements of Regulation (EC) No 1060/2009 of the European Parliament and of the Council on credit rating agencies [1] is to be incorporated into the EEA Agreement.

(2) Commission Implementing Decision 2012/628/EU of 5 October 2012 on the recognition of the legal and supervisory framework of the United States of America as equivalent to the requirements of Regulation (EC) No 1060/2009 of the European Parliament and of the Council on credit rating agencies [2] is to be incorporated into the EEA Agreement.

(3) Commission Implementing Decision 2012/630/EU of 5 October 2012 on the recognition of the legal and supervisory framework of Canada as equivalent to the requirements of Regulation (EC) No 1060/2009 of the European Parliament and of the Council on credit rating agencies [3] is to be incorporated into the EEA Agreement.

(4) Annex IX to the EEA Agreement should therefore be amended accordingly,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

Article 1

Annex IX to the EEA Agreement shall be amended as follows:

(1) the following points are inserted after point 31eb (Regulation (EC) No 1060/2009 of the European Parliament and of the Council):

'31eba. **32010 D 0578**: Commission Decision 2010/578/EU of 28 September 2010 on the recognition of the legal and supervisory framework of Japan as equivalent to the requirements of Regulation (EC) No 1060/2009 of the European Parliament and of the Council on credit rating agencies (OJ L 254, 29.9.2010, p. 46).

31ebb. **32012 D 0627**: Commission Implementing Decision 2012/627/EU of 5 October 2012 on the recognition of the legal and supervisory framework of Australia as equivalent to the requirements of Regulation (EC) No 1060/2009 of the European Parliament and of the Council on credit rating agencies (OJ L 274, 9.10.2012, p. 30).

31ebc. **32012 D 0628**: Commission Implementing Decision 2012/628/EU of 5 October 2012 on the recognition of the legal and supervisory framework of the United States of America as equivalent to the requirements of Regulation (EC) No 1060/2009 of the European Parliament and of the Council on credit rating agencies (OJ L 274, 9.10.2012, p. 32).

31ebd. **32012 D 0630**: Commission Implementing Decision 2012/630/EU of 5 October 2012 on the recognition of the legal and supervisory framework of Canada as equivalent to the requirements of Regulation (EC) No 1060/2009 of the European Parliament and of the Council on credit rating agencies (OJ L 278, 12.10.2012, p. 17).';

(2) the text of point 31ec (Commission Decision 2010/578/EU) is deleted.

Article 2

The texts of Implementing Decisions 2012/627/EU, 2012/628/EU and 2012/630/EU 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 May 2013, provided that all the notifications under Article 103(1) of the EEA Agreement have been made (*), or on the day of the entry into force of Decision of the EEA Joint Committee No 20/2012 of 10 February 2012 [4], whichever is the later.

[1] OJ L 274, 9.10.2012, p. 30.
[2] OJ L 274, 9.10.2012, p. 32.
[3] OJ L 278, 12.10.2012, p. 17.

(*) No constitutional requirements indicated.
[4] OJ L 161, 21.6.2012, p. 26.

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 May 2013.

For the EEA Joint Committee
The President
Gianluca GRIPPA

Joint Declaration by the Contracting Parties to Decision of the EEA Joint Committee No 84/2013 of 3 May 2013 incorporating Commission Implementing Decisions 2012/627/EU, 2012/628/EU and 2012/630/EU into the EEA Agreement

'Commission Implementing Decisions 2012/627/EU, 2012/628/EU and 2012/630/EU of 5 October 2012 deal with equivalence for third countries. The incorporation of these Decisions is without prejudice to the scope of the EEA Agreement.'