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## PROPOSAL

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From: Secretary-General of the European Commission,  
signed by Mr Jordi AYET PUIGARNAU, Director

date of receipt: 16 December 2015

To: Mr Jeppe TRANHOLM-MIKKELSEN, Secretary-General of the Council of  
the European Union

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Subject: ANNEX DECISION OF THE EEA JOINT COMMITTEE No .../2015 of  
amending Annex XXI (Statistics) to the EEA Agreement to the Council  
Proposal on the position to be adopted on behalf of the European Union,  
within the EEA Joint Committee concerning an amendment to Annex XXI  
(Statistics) to the EEA Agreement (health care expenditure statistics)

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Delegations will find attached document COM(2015) 656 final - ANNEX 1.

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**DECISION OF THE EEA JOINT COMMITTEE No .../2015  
of  
amending Annex XXI (Statistics) to the EEA Agreement**

**to the**

**Council Proposal**

**on the position to be adopted on behalf of the European Union, within the EEA Joint  
Committee concerning an amendment to Annex XXI (Statistics) to the EEA Agreement**

## ANNEX

### DECISION OF THE EEA JOINT COMMITTEE No .../2015 of amending Annex XXI (Statistics) 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 Regulation (EU) 2015/359 of 4 March 2015 implementing Regulation (EC) No 1338/2008 of the European Parliament and of the Council as regards statistics on healthcare expenditure and financing<sup>1</sup> is to be incorporated into the EEA Agreement.
- (2) Annex XXI to the EEA Agreement should therefore be amended accordingly,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

#### *Article 1*

The following point is inserted after point 18z5 (Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) No 205/2014) of Annex XXI to the EEA Agreement:

‘18z6. **32015 R 0359**: Commission Regulation (EU) 2015/359 of 4 March 2015 implementing Regulation (EC) No 1338/2008 of the European Parliament and of the Council as regards statistics on healthcare expenditure and financing (OJ L 62, 6.3.2015, p. 6).

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

- (a) Liechtenstein is exempted from providing separate data on day curative care (HC.1.2), day rehabilitative care (HC.2.2) and day long-term care (health) (HC.3.2), which shall be included in the data provided on outpatient curative care (HC.1.3), outpatient rehabilitative care (HC.2.3) and outpatient long-term care (health) (HC.3.3), respectively.
- (b) Liechtenstein is exempted from providing data on enterprise financing schemes (HF.2.3). This exemption shall be subject to review by the EEA Joint Committee whenever figures provided by Liechtenstein demonstrate that the

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<sup>1</sup> OJ L 62, 6.3.2015, p. 6.

expenditure on enterprise financing schemes in Liechtenstein is no longer negligible.’

#### *Article 2*

The texts of Regulation (EU) 2015/359 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 [...], provided that all the notifications under Article 103(1) of the EEA Agreement have been made\*.

#### *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,

*For the EEA Joint Committee  
The President*

[...]

*The Secretaries  
to the EEA Joint Committee*

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\* [No constitutional requirements indicated.] [Constitutional requirements indicated.]