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COUNCIL DECISION (EU) 2019/380

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(Text with EEA relevance)

THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN UNION,

Having regard to the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union, and in particular Article 114 in conjunction with Article 218(9) thereof,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EC) No 2894/94 of 28 November 1994 concerning arrangements for implementing the Agreement on the European Economic Area[(1)], and in particular Article 1(3) thereof,

Having regard to the proposal from the European Commission,

Whereas:

(1) The Agreement on the European Economic Area[(2)] ('the EEA Agreement') entered into force on 1 January 1994.

(2) Pursuant to Article 98 of the EEA Agreement, the EEA Joint Committee may decide to amend, inter alia, Annex IX (Financial services) and Annex XIX (Consumer protection) to that Agreement.

(3) Directive 2014/17/EU of the European Parliament and of the Council[(3)] is to be incorporated into the EEA Agreement.

(4) Annexes IX and XIX to the EEA Agreement should therefore be amended accordingly.

(5) The position of the Union within the EEA Joint Committee should therefore be based on the attached draft decision,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

Article 1

The position to be adopted, on behalf of the Union, within the EEA Joint Committee on the proposed amendment of Annex IX (Financial services) and Annex XIX (Consumer protection) to the EEA Agreement, shall be based on the draft decision of the EEA Joint Committee attached to this Decision.

Changes to legislation: *There are currently no known outstanding effects for the Council Decision (EU) 2019/380. (See end of Document for details)*

Article 2

This Decision shall enter into force on the date of its adoption.

Done at Brussels, 4 March 2019.

For the Council

The President

A. ANTON

***Changes to legislation:** There are currently no known outstanding effects for the Council Decision (EU) 2019/380. (See end of Document for details)*

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DECISION OF THE EEA JOINT COMMITTEE No …/2019

of …

amending Annex IX (Financial services) and Annex XIX (Consumer protection) 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) Directive 2014/17/EU of the European Parliament and of the Council of 4 February 2014 on credit agreements for consumers relating to residential immovable property and amending Directives 2008/48/EC and 2013/36/EU and Regulation (EU) No 1093/2010[4], as corrected by OJ L 246, 23.9.2015, p. 11, is to be incorporated into the EEA Agreement.

(2) Annexes IX and XIX 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 indent is added in point 31g (Regulation (EU) No 1093/2010 of the European Parliament and of the Council):

— **32014 L 0017**: Directive 2014/17/EU of the European Parliament and of the Council of 4 February 2014 (OJ L 60, 28.2.2014, p. 34), as corrected by OJ L 246, 23.9.2015, p. 11.

2. The following point is inserted after point 31i (Regulation (EU) No 1095/2010 of the European Parliament and of the Council):

31j. **32014 L 0017**: Directive 2014/17/EU of the European Parliament and of the Council of 4 February 2014 on credit agreements for consumers relating to residential immovable property and amending Directives 2008/48/EC and 2013/36/EU and Regulation (EU) No 1093/2010 (OJ L 60, 28.2.2014, p. 34), as corrected by OJ L 246, 23.9.2015, p. 11.

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

(a) Notwithstanding the provisions of Protocol 1 to this Agreement, and unless otherwise provided for in this Agreement, the terms 'Member State(s)' and 'competent authorities' shall be understood to include, in addition to their meaning in the Directive, the EFTA States and their competent authorities, respectively.