EEA Agreement: amending Annex XI (telecommunications)

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OBJECTIVE: the draft decision of the EEA Joint Committee seeks to amend Annexes XI and XIV of the EEA Agreement with a view to including the "acquis" recently adopted in the field of telecommunications services and competition. CONTENT: in order to provide the necessary legal security and homogeneity, the EEA Joint Committee must incorporate all Community legislation relevant to the EEA Agreement as soon as possible after its adoption. The present draft decision applies to: - Commission Directive 96/2/EC amending Directive 90/388/EEC concerning mobile and personal communications; - Commission Directive 95/51/EC amending Directive 90/388/EEC concerning the suppression of restrictions to the use of cable television networks for the provision of telecommunications services which have already been liberalised; - Commission Directive 96/19/EC amending Directive 90/388/EEC concerning the achievement of full competition in the telecommunications market. Norway and Liechtenstein are ready to accept these three acts without substantial modification. However, Iceland has requested a derogation from the implementation deadline.