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II

(Non-legislative acts)

REGULATIONS

COMMISSION REGULATION (EU) 2018/750

of 22 May 2018

correcting the Polish language version of Regulation (EU) No 1321/2014 on the continuing airworthiness of aircraft and aeronautical products, parts and appliances, and on the approval of organisations and personnel involved in these tasks*(Text with EEA relevance)*

THE EUROPEAN COMMISSION,

Having regard to the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union,

Having regard to Regulation (EC) No 216/2008 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 20 February 2008 on common rules in the field of civil aviation and establishing a European Aviation Safety Agency, and repealing Council Directive 91/670/EEC, Regulation (EC) No 1592/2002 and Directive 2004/36/EC ⁽¹⁾, and in particular Article 5(5) thereof,

Whereas:

- (1) The Polish language version of Commission Regulation (EU) No 1321/2014 ⁽²⁾ contains an error in the second indent of point 66.A.20(a)(3)(i) of Annex III as regards the privileges granted to the holder of a category B2 aircraft maintenance licence.
- (2) The Polish language version of Regulation (EU) No 1321/2014 should therefore be corrected accordingly. The other language versions are not affected.
- (3) The measures provided for in this Regulation are in accordance with the opinion of the Committee established by Article 65(1) of Regulation (EC) No 216/2008,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

*Article 1**(does not concern the English language)*

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 79, 19.3.2008, p. 1.

⁽²⁾ Commission Regulation (EU) No 1321/2014 of 26 November 2014 on the continuing airworthiness of aircraft and aeronautical products, parts and appliances, and on the approval of organisations and personnel involved in these tasks (OJ L 362, 17.12.2014, p. 1).

Article 2

This Regulation shall enter into force on the twentieth day following that of its publication in the *Official Journal of the European Union*.

This Regulation shall be binding in its entirety and directly applicable in all Member States.

Done at Brussels, 22 May 2018.

For the Commission

The President

Jean-Claude JUNKER

DECISIONS

COUNCIL DECISION (EU) 2018/751

of 14 May 2018

on the position to be adopted on behalf of the European Union within the Stabilisation and Association Council established by the Stabilisation and Association Agreement between the European Communities and their Member States, of the one part, and the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, of the other part, concerning the transition to the second stage of the Association between the European Communities and their Member States, of the one part, and the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, of the other part, pursuant to Article 5(3) of the Agreement

THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN UNION,

Having regard to the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union, and in particular Article 217, in conjunction with Article 218(9) thereof,

Having regard to the proposal from the European Commission,

Whereas:

- (1) The Stabilisation and Association Agreement between the European Communities and their Member States, of the one part, and the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, of the other part ⁽¹⁾ (the 'Agreement'), entered into force on 1 April 2004.
- (2) Article 5(1) of the Agreement provides for a transitional period of a maximum of ten years divided into two successive stages.
- (3) The first stage began on 1 April 2004, which was the date of entry into force of the Agreement.
- (4) Article 5(3) of the Agreement further provides that four years after the entry into force of the Agreement, the Stabilisation and Association Council is to evaluate the progress made and to decide about the passage into the second phase and its duration, as well as on any possible changes to be brought about as regards the content of the provisions governing the second stage.
- (5) The Parties are determined to comply with the obligations related to the transition to the second stage of the Association.
- (6) The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia has taken the measures necessary to ensure compliance with all of the obligations resulting from the transition to the second stage.
- (7) The position of the Union within the Stabilisation and Association Council should therefore be based on the attached draft Decision,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

Article 1

The position to be adopted on the Union's behalf within the Stabilisation and Association Council established by the Agreement concerning the transition to the second stage of the Association between the European Communities and their Member States, of the one part, and the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, of the other part, pursuant to Article 5(3) of the Agreement, shall be based on the draft Decision of the Stabilisation and Association Council attached to this Decision.

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 84, 20.3.2004, p. 13.

Article 2

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

Done at Brussels, 14 May 2018.

For the Council
The President
E. ZAHARIEVA

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DECISION No .../2018 OF THE STABILISATION AND ASSOCIATION COUNCIL**of ...****concerning the transition to the second stage of the Association between the European Communities and their Member States, of the one part, and the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, of the other part, pursuant to article 5(3) of the Stabilisation and Association Agreement**

THE STABILISATION AND ASSOCIATION COUNCIL,

Having regard to the Stabilisation and Association Agreement between the European Communities and their Member States, of the one part, and the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, of the other part ⁽¹⁾ (the 'Agreement'), and in particular Article 5(3) thereof,

Whereas:

- (1) Article 5(1) of the Agreement provides for a transitional period of a maximum of ten years divided into two successive stages.
- (2) The first stage began on 1 April 2004, which was the date of entry into force of the Agreement.
- (3) Article 5(3) of the Agreement further provides that the Stabilisation and Association Council is to evaluate the progress made and to decide about the passage into the second phase and its duration, as well as on any possible changes to be brought about as regards the content of the provisions governing the second stage.
- (4) The Parties are determined to comply with the obligations related to the transition to the second stage of the Association.
- (5) The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia has taken the measures necessary to ensure compliance with all of the obligations resulting from the transition to the second stage,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

Article 1

The transition to the second stage of the Association between the European Communities and their Member States, of the one part, and the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, of the other part, pursuant to Article 5(3) of the Agreement, hereby takes effect.

Article 2

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

Done at ...,

For the Stabilisation and Association Council
The President

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 84, 20.3.2004, p. 13.

COUNCIL DECISION (EU) 2018/752**of 14 May 2018**

on the position to be taken on behalf of the European Union at the International Maritime Organization during the 99th session of the Maritime Safety Committee, on the adoption of amendments to SOLAS Regulations II-1/1 and II-1/8-1, on the approval of associated guidelines on operational information for masters in case of flooding for passenger ships constructed before 1 January 2014 and on the adoption of amendments to the International Code for Application of Fire Test Procedures, 2010

THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN UNION,

Having regard to the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union, and in particular Article 100(2), in conjunction with Article 218(9) thereof,

Having regard to the proposal from the European Commission,

Whereas:

- (1) Action by the Union in the sector of maritime transport should aim at improving maritime safety.
- (2) The Maritime Safety Committee (MSC) of the International Maritime Organization (IMO), during its 99th session on 16-25 May 2018 ('MSC 99'), is expected to adopt amendments to Regulations II-1/1 and II-1/8-1 of the International Convention for the Safety of Life at Sea ('SOLAS') on computerised stability support for the master in case of flooding for existing passenger ships ('amendments to SOLAS Regulations II-1/1 and II-1/8-1'), to approve the associated guidelines on operational information for masters in case of flooding for passenger ships constructed before 1 January 2014 ('associated guidelines') and to adopt amendments to the International Code for Application of Fire Test Procedures, 2010 ('FTP Code').
- (3) It is appropriate to establish the position to be taken on behalf of the Union during MSC 99, as the amendments to SOLAS Regulations II-1/1 and II-1/8-1, the approval of the associated guidelines and the adoption of amendments to the FTP Code will be capable of decisively influencing the content of Union law, namely Directive 2009/45/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council ⁽¹⁾.
- (4) The amendments to SOLAS Regulations II-1/1 and II-1/8-1 and the associated guidelines should create operational guidelines for existing passenger ships, by providing regularly updated information on the residual damage stability of the ship after a flooding incident.
- (5) The amendments to the FTP Code concerning testing requirements for exposed floor coverings should provide that those provisions also apply to passenger ships carrying less than 36 passengers.
- (6) To the extent that the amendments to SOLAS Regulations II-1/1 and II-1/8-1, the approval of the associated guidelines and the amendments to the FTP Code may affect the provisions of Directive 2009/45/EC regarding passenger ships and high-speed passenger craft which are engaged on domestic voyages, those amendments fall under the exclusive competence of the Union.
- (7) The Union is not a member of the IMO, nor is it a contracting party to the relevant conventions and codes. The Council should therefore authorise the Member States to express the position of the Union and to express their consent to be bound by those amendments, to the extent that those amendments fall under the exclusive competence of the Union,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

Article 1

The position to be taken on behalf of the Union at the 99th session of the IMO Maritime Safety Committee shall be to agree to:

- (a) the adoption of the amendments to SOLAS Regulations II-1/1 and II-1/8-1, as laid down in Annex 1 to IMO document MSC 99/3, and the approval of the associated guidelines, as laid down in Annex 1 to the IMO Sub-Committee on Ship Design and Construction (SDC) document SDC 5/15;

⁽¹⁾ Directive 2009/45/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 6 May 2009 on safety rules and standards for passenger ships (OJ L 163, 25.6.2009, p. 1).

- (b) the adoption of the amendments to Table 1 of Annex 3 to the FTP Code, as laid down in Annex 2 to IMO document MSC 99/3.

Article 2

1. The position to be taken on behalf of the Union as set out in Article 1 shall be expressed by the Member States, which are all members of the IMO, acting jointly in the interests of the Union.
2. Minor changes to the position referred to in Article 1 may be agreed upon without further decision by the Council.

Article 3

Member States are hereby authorised to give their consent to be bound, in the interests of the Union, by the amendments referred to in Article 1, to the extent that those amendments fall under the exclusive competence of the Union.

Article 4

This Decision is addressed to the Member States.

Done at Brussels, 14 May 2018.

For the Council
The President
E. ZAHARIEVA

COMMISSION DECISION (EU) 2018/753**of 22 May 2018****confirming the participation of Ireland in Directive 2013/33/EU of the European Parliament and of the Council laying down standards for the reception of applicants for international protection**

THE EUROPEAN COMMISSION,

Having regard to Protocol No 21 on the position of the United Kingdom and Ireland in respect of the Area of Freedom, Security and Justice, annexed to the Treaty on European Union and to the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union, and in particular Article 4 thereof,

Having regard to the notification by Ireland of its wish to accept and be bound by the Directive 2013/33/EU of the European Parliament and of the Council of 26 June 2013 laying down standards for the reception of applicants for international protection ⁽¹⁾,

Whereas:

- (1) Directive 2013/33/EU was adopted on 26 June 2013. Member States had until 20 July 2015 to bring into force the laws, regulations and administrative provisions necessary to comply with the Directive.
- (2) By letter of 24 January 2018, Ireland notified its wish to accept and be bound by Directive 2013/33/EU.
- (3) On 20 February, 4 April and 9 April 2018, Ireland transmitted to the Commission draft legislation transposing Directive 2013/33/EU into national law. The completion of the draft legislation is ongoing.
- (4) As the conditions of participation of Ireland have been fulfilled, the participation of Ireland in Directive 2013/33/EU should be confirmed, in accordance with the procedure provided for in Article 331(1) of the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union.
- (5) Transitional measures are needed to allow Ireland to complete the procedure of bringing into force the laws, regulations and administrative provisions necessary to comply with Directive 2013/33/EU. As Ireland is already at an advanced stage of preparing the draft measures transposing that Directive into national law with a view to their adoption, it is considered reasonable to require Ireland to complete the procedure by 30 June 2018, at the latest,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

Article 1

1. The participation of Ireland in Directive 2013/33/EU is confirmed.
2. Directive 2013/33/EU shall apply to Ireland in accordance with this Decision from 24 May 2018.

Article 2

Ireland shall bring into force the laws, regulations and administrative provisions necessary to comply with Directive 2013/33/EU by 30 June 2018, at the latest. Ireland shall forthwith communicate to the Commission the text of those provisions. Those measures shall contain a reference to Directive 2013/33/EU or be accompanied by such reference on the occasion of their official publication. Ireland shall determine how such reference is to be made.

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 180, 29.6.2013, p. 96.

Article 3

This Decision shall enter into force on 24 May 2018.

Done at Brussels, 22 May 2018.

For the Commission

The President

Jean-Claude JUNCKER

