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to the

Proposal for a Council Decision

on the conclusion, on behalf of the European Union and its Member States, of an Agreement on the participation of the Republic of Croatia in the European Economic Area and the related Protocol to take account of the accession of the Republic of Croatia to the European Union

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HAVING REGARD to the Agreement between the Kingdom of Norway and the European Union on a Norwegian Financial Mechanism for the period 2009-2014,

HAVING REGARD to the Agreement on the Participation of the Republic of Croatia in the European Economic Area,

HAVE DECIDED to include Croatia into the existing Norwegian Financial Mechanism 2009-2014,

AND TO CONCLUDE THIS PROTOCOL,

ARTICLE 1

1. The Agreement between the Kingdom of Norway and the European Union on a Norwegian Financial Mechanism for the period 2009-2014, hereinafter called the "Agreement", shall apply *mutatis mutandis* to the Republic of Croatia.

2. Notwithstanding paragraph 1, paragraphs 2 and 3 of Article 3 of the Agreement shall not apply.

3. Notwithstanding paragraph 1, Article 6 of the Agreement shall not apply. No reallocation to any other Beneficiary State shall be applicable in case of available non-committed funds of Croatia.

ARTICLE 2

The additional amounts of the financial contribution shall be EUR 4.6 million for the Republic of Croatia over the period running from 1 July 2013 to 30 April 2014, inclusive; they shall be made available for commitment in a single tranche as from the date of entry into force of the Agreement on the Participation of the Republic of Croatia in the European Economic Area or of an agreement to apply the latter Agreement and this Protocol provisionally.

ARTICLE 3

This Protocol shall be ratified or approved by the Parties in accordance with their own procedures. The instruments of ratification or approval shall be deposited with the General Secretariat of the Council of the European Union.

It shall enter into force on the day following the deposit of the last instrument of ratification or approval provided that the instrument of ratification or approval of the Agreement on the Participation of the Republic of Croatia in the European Economic Area has been deposited as well.

ARTICLE 4

This Protocol, drawn up in a single original, in the Bulgarian, Croatian, Czech, Danish, Dutch, English, Estonian, Finnish, French, German, Greek, Hungarian, Italian, Latvian, Lithuanian, Maltese, Polish, Portuguese, Romanian, Slovak, Slovenian, Spanish, Swedish and Norwegian languages, the text in each of these texts being equally authentic, shall be deposited with the General Secretariat of the Council of the European Union, which will remit a certified copy to each of the Parties.

Done at Brussels, this....of 2013

For the European Union

For the Kingdom of Norway