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Dear Sir or Madam,

Subject: Complaint against Norway concerning failure to comply with Article 36 EEA and Directive 96/71/EC

On 21 October 2013, the EFTA Surveillance Authority ("Authority") received a complaint against Norway regarding failure to comply with Article 36 EEA on freedom to provide services and Directive 96/71/EC concerning the posting of workers in the framework of the provision of services.

The complaint alleges in essence that the judgment of the Norwegian Supreme Court of 5 March 2013, following-up the judgment of the EFTA Court of 23 January 2012 in Case E-2/11 STX Norway Offshore, might be regarded as not complying with EEA law and requests the Authority to investigate the matter.

The Authority's Internal Market Affairs Directorate is presently considering the merits of the complaint. After a preliminary assessment has been undertaken, the Directorate may, if it feels it is appropriate, ask the Norwegian Government to provide further information and its observations on the complaint.

Yours faithfully,

Bernhard Zaglmayer Deputy Director

Internal Market Affairs Directorate