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PROPOSAL

From:	Secretary-General of the European Commission, signed by Mr Jordi AYET PUIGARNAU, Director
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To:	Mr Jeppe TRANHOLM-MIKKELSEN, Secretary-General of the Council of the European Union

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Subject:	ANNEX to the Proposal for a Council Decision on the position to be adopted, on behalf of the European Union, within the EEA Joint Committee concerning an amendment to Protocol 31 to the EEA Agreement on cooperation in specific fields outside the four freedoms (Budget line 02 04 77 03 - Preparatory action for defence research)
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Proposal for a Council Decision

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(Budget line 02 04 77 03 - Preparatory action for defence research)

ANNEX

DECISION OF THE EEA JOINT COMMITTEE

No [...]

of [...]

**amending Protocol 31 to the EEA Agreement, on cooperation in specific fields outside
the four freedoms**

THE EEA JOINT COMMITTEE,

Having regard to the Agreement on the European Economic Area (“the EEA Agreement”),
and in particular Articles 86 and 98 thereof,

Whereas:

- (1) It is appropriate to continue the cooperation of the Contracting Parties to the EEA Agreement in Union actions funded from the general budget of the Union regarding the preparatory action on defence research.
- (2) Protocol 31 to the EEA Agreement should be amended in order to allow for that extended cooperation to continue from 1 January 2019,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

Article 1

In paragraph 13(a) of Article 1 of Protocol 31 to the EEA Agreement, the words “and 2018” are replaced by the words “, 2018 and 2019”.

Article 2

This Decision shall enter into force on the day following the last notification under Article 103(1) of the EEA Agreement*.

It shall apply from 1 January 2019.

* [No constitutional requirements indicated.] [Constitutional requirements indicated.]

Article 3

This Decision shall be published in the EEA Section of, and in the EEA Supplement to, the *Official Journal of the European Union*.

Done at Brussels, [...].

*For the EEA Joint Committee
The President
[...]*

*The Secretaries
To the EEA Joint Committee
[...]*