

EFTA COURT

Action brought on 18 July 2014 by the EFTA Surveillance Authority against Iceland.

(Case E-15/14)

An action against Iceland was brought before the EFTA Court on 18 July 2014 by the EFTA Surveillance Authority, represented by Markus Schneider and Janne Tysnes Kaasin, acting as Agents of the EFTA Surveillance Authority, 35 Rue Belliard, B-1040 Brussels.

The EFTA Surveillance Authority requests the EFTA Court to:

- 1. Declare that Iceland has failed to fulfil its obligations under Article 7 of the EEA Agreement by failing to adopt the measures necessary to make part of its internal legal order within the time prescribed the Act referred to at point 4d of Chapter XI of Annex II to that Agreement,**

Regulation (EU) No 1007/2011 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 27 September 2011 *on textile fibre names and related labelling and marking of the fibre composition of textile products and repealing Council Directive 73/44/EEC and Directives 96/73/EC and 2008/121/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council,*

as amended by

Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) No 286/2012 of 27 January 2012 *amending, in order to include a new textile fibre name, Annex I, and for the purposes of their adaptation to technical progress, Annexes VIII and IX to Regulation (EU) No 1007/2011 of the European Parliament and of the Council on textile fibre names and related labelling and marking of the fibre composition of textile products,*

and as adapted to the EEA Agreement by way of Protocol 1 thereto.

- 2. Order Iceland to bear the costs of these proceedings.**

Legal and factual background and pleas in law adduced in support:

- The application addresses Iceland's failure to comply, within the time-limits prescribed, with two reasoned opinions delivered by the EFTA

Surveillance Authority regarding that State's failure to implement into its national legal order Regulation (EU) No 1007/2011 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 27 September 2011 on textile fibre names and related labelling and marking of the fibre composition of textile products and repealing Council Directive 73/44/EEC and Directives 96/73/EC and 2008/121/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council, as well as its failure to make part of its national legal order Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) No 286/2012 of 27 January 2012 amending, in order to include a new textile fibre name, Annex I, and for the purposes of their adaptation to technical progress, Annexes VIII and IX to Regulation (EU) No 1007/2011 of the European Parliament and of the Council on textile fibre names and related labelling and marking of the fibre composition of textile products ("the Acts"), both as referred to at point 4d of Chapter XI of Annex II to the Agreement on the European Economic Area, and as adapted to that Agreement by way of Protocol 1 thereto.

- The EFTA Surveillance Authority submits that by failing to adopt the measures necessary to make the Acts part of its internal legal order, within the time prescribed, Iceland has failed to fulfil its obligations under Article 7 of the EEA Agreement.