EFTA COURT

Action brought on 2 March 2016 by the EFTA Surveillance Authority against the Kingdom of Norway

(Case E-4/16)

An action against the Kingdom of Norway was brought before the EFTA Court on 2 March 2016 by the EFTA Surveillance Authority, represented by Carsten Zatschler, Clémence Perrin and Marlene Lie Hakkebo, 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 the Kingdom of Norway has failed to fulfil its obligations under Article 33 of the Agreement between the EFTA States on the Establishment of a Surveillance Authority and a Court of Justice by failing to take, by the date of expiry of the period prescribed in the reasoned opinion delivered to the Kingdom of Norway pursuant to Article 31(2) of that Agreement, the measures necessary to comply with the judgment of the Court of 2 December 2013 in Case E-13/13 EFTA Surveillance Authority v The Kingdom of Norway.
- 2. Order the defendant to bear the costs of these proceedings.

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

- The application addresses the Kingdom of Norway's failure to comply, no later than 8 September 2015, with a reasoned opinion delivered by the EFTA Surveillance Authority on 8 July 2015 regarding that State's failure to fulfil its obligations under Article 33 of the Agreement between the EFTA States on the Establishment of a Surveillance Authority and a Court of Justice ("SCA") to take the necessary measures to comply with the judgment of the Court of 2 December 2013 in Case E-13/13 EFTA Surveillance Authority v The Kingdom of Norway.
- Case E-13/13 concerned the Kingdom of Norway's compliance with Directive 2005/60/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 26 October 2005 on the prevention of the use of the financial system for the purpose of money laundering and terrorist financing ("the AML Directive").