

**JUDGMENT OF THE COURT****of 14 December 2011****in Case E-8/11****EFTA Surveillance Authority v Iceland**

*(Failure by a Contracting Party to fulfil its obligations — Directive 2002/49/EC on the assessment and management of environmental noise)*

(2012/C 291/07)

In Case E-8/11, EFTA Surveillance Authority v Iceland — APPLICATION for a declaration that, by failing to ensure that its competent authorities have made and, where relevant, approved strategic noise maps and drawn-up noise action plans for all major roads on its territory which have more than six million vehicle passages a year, and to ensure that the information from strategic noise maps and summaries of the action plans as referred to in Annex VI to the Directive are sent to the EFTA Surveillance Authority, Iceland has failed to fulfil its obligations arising from Articles 7(1), 8(1) and 10 of the Act referred to at point 32g of Annex XX to the EEA Agreement (Directive 2002/49/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 25 June 2002 relating to the assessment and management of environmental noise) as adapted to the EEA Agreement by Protocol 1 thereto, the Court, composed of Carl Baudenbacher, President and Judge-Reporteur, Per Christiansen and Páll Hreinsson, Judges, gave judgment on 14 December 2011, the operative part of which is as follows:

The Court hereby:

1. Declares that, by failing to ensure that within the time-limits prescribed its competent authorities made and, where relevant, approved strategic noise maps and drew up noise action plans for all major roads on its territory which have more than six million vehicle passages a year, and to ensure that the information from strategic noise maps and summaries of the action plans as referred to in Annex VI to the Directive were sent to the EFTA Surveillance Authority, Iceland has failed to fulfil its obligations arising from Articles 7(1), 8(1) and 10 of the Act referred to at point 32g of Annex XX to the EEA Agreement (Directive 2002/49/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 25 June 2002 relating to the assessment and management of environmental noise) as adapted to the EEA Agreement by Protocol 1 thereto.
  2. Orders Iceland to bear the costs of the proceedings.
-