

NOTICES CONCERNING THE EUROPEAN ECONOMIC AREA

EFTA SURVEILLANCE AUTHORITY

State aid — Decision to raise no objections

(2016/C 396/06)

The EFTA Surveillance Authority raises no objections to the following State aid measure:

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| Date of adoption of the decision: | 25 January 2016 |
| Case No: | 78337 |
| Decision No: | 23/16/COL |
| EFTA State: | Norway |
| Title (and/or name of the beneficiary): | Zero VAT rate for electronic news services |
| Legal basis: | Act on Value Added Tax of 19 June 2009, No 58, section 6-2; and Regulation concerning Value Added Tax of 15 December 2009, No 1540, section 6-2-1 |
| Type of measure: | Scheme |
| Objective: | Media plurality and diversity |
| Form of aid: | Zero VAT rate |
| Budget: | Approx. NOK 350 million/year |
| Duration: | Until 1 March 2022 |
| Economic sectors: | News and current affairs media, including NACE J58.1.3 (Publishing of newspapers) and NACE J60 (Programming and broadcasting activities) |
| Name and address of the granting authority: | Ministry of Finance P.O. Box 8008 Dep. N-0030 Oslo NORWAY |

The authentic text of the decision, from which all confidential information has been removed, can be found on the EFTA Surveillance Authority's website:

<http://www.eftasurv.int/state-aid/state-aid-register/>
