

EFTA Surveillance Authority Rue Belliard 35 B-1040 Brussels

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## Request for an extension of the time limit for submitting observations

Reference is made to the EFTA Surveillance Authority's letter of formal notice dated 25 October 2016 concerning posting of workers. The time limit for submitting observations expires the 25 December 2016.

The Ministry has initiated a dialogue with the social partners aiming to find appropriate solutions to the issues raised in the letter of formal notice. Several parties are involved, and to be able to complete these important preparatory steps of the process, some more time is required. In addition, we note that the time limit expires during the Christmas holiday, and kindly requests for an extension of the time limit for submitting its observations <u>until mid-January 2017</u>.

Yours sincerely,

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