



Case E-1/26-2
Luxembourg, 2 March 2026

Dear Sir/Madam,

Please find enclosed, a copy of the application, together with the translation into English, from Supreme Court of Norway (*Norges Høyesterett*), dated 9 February 2026, in the case *A and B v Staten v/Arbeids- og velferdsdirektoratet*, requesting the EFTA Court to give an advisory opinion pursuant to Article 34 of the Agreement between the EFTA States on the Establishment of a Surveillance Authority and a Court of Justice. The request was lodged on 9 February 2026 and entered in the register of the EFTA Court (reg. No E-1/26-1) as Case No E-1/26.

In accordance with Article 20 of the Statute and Article 90(1) of the Rules of Procedure of the EFTA Court, the Governments of the EFTA States, the EFTA Surveillance Authority, the Union (which includes the Governments of the EU States), the European Commission and the parties to the dispute are entitled to submit to the Court written observations on the questions referred for an advisory opinion. Written observations must be lodged at the Court within two months from the date of this notification, i.e., at the latest by **Monday, 4 May 2026**, cf. Article 39(2) of the Rules of Procedure.

Please be informed that the Court has decided that all written observations, lodged in Advisory Opinion cases registered at the Court, will be published on the Court's website before the oral hearing takes place.

Should you believe that observations you intend to submit include confidential or sensitive information, the Court invites you to submit a non-confidential version alongside your observations. In those cases, only the non-confidential version will be published. Moreover, should you believe that the written observations are, exceptionally, only to be published after the judgment of the Court has been delivered, you are invited to submit a reasoned request setting out the reasons thereto.

Yours faithfully,

Bryndís Pálmarsdóttir
Senior Administrator

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