



**COUNCIL OF
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"I/A" ITEM NOTE

from: General Secretariat of the Council
to: Permanent Representatives Committee (Part 2)/Council
Subject: European Economic and Social Committee
– Appointment of a member (NL)

1. By letter dated 10 December 2012 the Dutch Government put forward for membership of the European Economic and Social Committee Ms Melanie BOUWKNEGT in place of Mr Leon MEIJER, whose term of office had ended ¹.
2. Under Article 302 TFEU, the Council appoints the Committee's members after consulting the Commission.
3. The Commission was consulted on the nomination on 28 January 2013 and gave a favourable opinion on it on 18 February 2013.
4. The Permanent Representatives Committee is therefore invited to suggest that the Council adopt the Decision set out in 6612/13 CES 6 as an "A" item at a forthcoming meeting.
5. That Decision will be published in the Official Journal of the European Union in conformity with Article 297(2), second subparagraph TFEU.

¹ cf. doc. 5427/13 CES 1.