



**COUNCIL OF
THE EUROPEAN UNION**

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“I/A” ITEM NOTE

from: General Secretariat of the Council
to: Permanent Representatives Committee (Part 2)/Council
Subject: Committee of the Regions
- Appointment of a member (ES)

1. The Secretary General of the Committee of the Regions has informed the Council of the end of the term of office of Mr Juan Ignacio ZOIDO ÁLVAREZ, member of the Committee of the Regions.
2. Under Article 305 TFEU, members and alternate members of the Committee of the Regions are appointed by the Council, acting by a qualified majority on proposals from their respective Member States.
3. In accordance with that provision, the Spanish Government has proposed¹ as alternate member for the remainder of the current term of office, which runs until 25 January 2015:
 - Mr Iñigo de la SERNA HERNÁIZ, *Alcalde de Santander*.

¹ cf. doc. 7759/13 CDR 51.

4. The Permanent Representatives Committee is therefore asked:
- to suggest that the Council adopt the Decision in doc. 7760/13 CDR 52;
 - to decide to use the written procedure in order to allow the new member to participate in the next Plenary Session of the Committee of the Regions on 11 April 2013, in the absence of any session of the Council before this date.
5. That Decision will be published in the Official Journal of the European Union in conformity with Article 297(2), second subparagraph TFEU.
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