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from:	Mr Peter TEMPEL, Permanent Representative of Germany to the European Union
received on:	6 August 2012
to:	Mr Uwe CORSEPIUS, Secretary-General of the Council of the European Union
Subject:	Committee of the Regions
	– Letter from the Permanent Representative of Germany – appointment of a member and an alternate member (DE)

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Delegations will find attached translation of a letter<sup>1</sup> dated 31 July 2012 from Mr Peter TEMPEL, Permanent Representative of Germany to the European Union.

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<sup>1</sup> with reference Pol 422.50 AdR.

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**Peter Tempel**  
Ambassador  
Permanent Representative of the Federal Republic of Germany  
to the European Union

Subject: **Nomination of a new member and alternate of the Committee of the Regions  
representing Saarland for the remainder of the fifth term of office**  
Re.: **Ms Helma Kuhn-Theis**  
**Ms Isolde Ries**  
Our ref.: Pol 422.50 AdR

Brussels, 31 July 2012

Dear Secretary-General,

By cabinet decision of 3 July 2012, the Government of Saarland nominated the following persons to serve the remainder of the fifth term of office of the Committee of the Regions (CoR):

- as member: Ms Helma Kuhn-Theis, plenipotentiary for European affairs;
- as alternate: Ms Isolde Ries, Vice-President of Saarland's Parliament.

This decision was necessitated by the departure of former Prime Minister Peter Müller from the CoR. The current alternate member of the CoR, Minister Stephan Toscani, will today leave the CoR.

The Federal Government hereby proposes that Ms Kuhn Theis be appointed member and that Ms Ries be appointed alternate member of the CoR for the remainder of the fifth term of office.

I would request that you initiate the appointment procedure in accordance with Article 305 of the TFEU.

(Complimentary close)

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