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Subject: CONSULTATION OF THE COMMISSION, by the Council, on the appointment of Mr Richard BALFE as a member of the Economic and Social Committee to replace Mr Sukhdev SHARMA (14371/12)

According to Article 302 TFEU, the Council has to consult the Commission on the candidates put forward by Member States for membership of the Economic and Social Committee.

In accordance with the procedure adopted by the Council, we hereby submit the above consultation for approval by the Council.

Please e-mail any comments to drices@consilium.europa.eu by **Thursday 4 October 2012 by 12h midday**.

If no comments have been received by that deadline, the decision to consult will be deemed to have been taken.