



**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 and an alternate member (AT)

1. By letter dated 8 October 2012, the Secretary General of the Committee of the Regions has informed the Council of the end of the term of office of Mr Markus LINHART.
2. An alternate member's seat will become vacant following the appointment of Mr Hannes WENINGER as member of the Committee of the Regions.
3. 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.
4. In accordance with that provision, the Austrian Government has proposed ¹ for the remainder of the current term of office, which runs until 25 January 2015:

¹ cf. doc. 14733/12 CDR 115.

a) as member:

- Mr Hannes WENINGER, *Geschäftsführender Gemeinderat und Abgeordneter zum Nationalrat*

and

b) as alternate member:

- Mr Markus LINHART, *Bürgermeister*.

5. The Permanent Representatives Committee is therefore asked to suggest that the Council adopt the Decision in doc. 14734/12 CDR 116 as an "A" item at a forthcoming meeting.
6. That Decision will be published in the Official Journal of the European Union in conformity with Article 297(2), second subparagraph TFEU.
