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From: General Secretariat of the Council

To: Delegations

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Subject: Committee of the Regions  
- Letter from Spain - Appointment of a member and an alternate member  
(Catalunya)

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Delegations will find attached a translation of a letter dated 8 June 2016 from Mr Alfonso DASTIS, Permanent Representative of Spain to the European Union, addressed to Mr Jeppe TRANHOLM-MIKKELSEN, Secretary-General of the Council of the EU.

Brussels, 8 June 2016

Mr Jeppe Tranholm-Mikkelsen  
Secretary-General of the Council of the  
European Union  
Rue de la Loi/Wetstraat, 170  
1048 Brussels

Sir,

In accordance with Article 300 of the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union, pursuant to the General Secretariat of the Council's Note of 16 December 2014 on that subject, and in accordance with the criteria laid down in the Motion adopted by the Senate at its plenary meeting on 20 October 1993, please find enclosed a proposal for a modification to the appointment, for the period 2015-2020, of the alternate member to the Committee of the Regions as representative of the Autonomous Community of Catalonia (Annexes II and III to the above-mentioned Note).

For that purpose, please also find enclosed the nominations of the proposed candidates who hold an electoral mandate and the report issued by the Legislative Assemblies of the Autonomous Communities attesting to the political accountability to them of those candidates who neither hold an electoral mandate nor belong to the Council of the Autonomous Community of Catalonia.

(complimentary close),

(s.) Alfonso Dastis

PERMANENT  
REPRESENTATION OF  
SPAIN TO THE  
EUROPEAN UNION

**COUNTRY: SPAIN**

**AUTONOMOUS COMMUNITY OF CATALONIA**

**PROPOSED RESIGNATION:**

Mr Francesc Homs i Molist  
Consejero de la Presidencia  
Autonomous Community of Catalonia  
Member

**PROPOSED APPOINTMENT:**

Jordi Solé i Ferrando  
Secretario de Asuntos Exteriores y de la Unión Europea  
Autonomous Community of Catalonia  
Member

**PROPOSED RESIGNATION:**

Mr Roger Albinyana i Saigí  
Secretario de Asuntos Exteriores y de la Unión Europea  
Autonomous Community of Catalonia  
Alternate Member

**PROPOSED APPOINTMENT:**

Amadeu Altafaj i Tardio  
Representante Permanente ante la Unión Europea  
Autonomous Community of Catalonia  
Alternate Member

*The appointment of Mr Altafaj as 'Representante Permanente de la Generalitat ante la UE' by Decree 2/2015 of 13 January of the Presidency of the Regional Government of Catalonia ('Presidencia de la Generalidad Catalana') was challenged at the request of the Spanish Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Cooperation ('MAEC') in the Administrative Disputes Division of the High Court of Justice of Catalonia ('Tribunal Superior de Justicia de Cataluña') on 17 April 2015. On 7 June 2016 the High Court of Justice of Catalonia was called upon, again at the request of the MAEC, to suspend use of the aforementioned title by Mr Altafaj.*

## ANNEX II

### FORM OF THE DOCUMENT TO BE SUBMITTED FOR THE NOMINATION OF MEMBERS AND ALTERNATE MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE OF THE REGIONS

#### Members

Mr Jordi SOLÉ I FERRANDO  
Mandate: Secretari d'Afers Exteriors i de la Unió Europea  
Generalitat de Catalunya  
**type of mandate\*:** a) ~~electoral mandate~~  
b) post with political accountability to an elected assembly  
**period of the mandate\*:** a) ~~until the next elections~~  
b) indeterminate duration

#### Alternate Members

Mr Amadeu ALTAFAJ I TARDIO  
Mandate: Representant Permanent davant la Unió Europea  
Generalitat de Catalunya  
**type of mandate\*:** a) ~~electoral mandate~~  
b) post with political accountability to an elected assembly  
**period of the mandate\*:** a) ~~until the next elections~~  
b) indeterminate duration

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\* Delete as appropriate.