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LEGISLATIVE ACTS AND OTHER INSTRUMENTS

Subject: COUNCIL DECISION appointing a member, proposed by the Kingdom of Belgium, of the European Economic and Social Committee

COUNCIL DECISION (EU, Euratom) 2016/...

of ...

**appointing a member, proposed by the Kingdom of Belgium,
of the European Economic and Social Committee**

THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN UNION,

Having regard to the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union, and in particular Article 302 thereof,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Atomic Energy Community, and in particular Article 106a thereof,

Having regard to the proposal of the Belgian Government,

Having regard to the opinion of the European Commission,

Whereas:

- (1) On 18 September 2015 and 1 October 2015, the Council adopted Decisions (EU, Euratom) 2015/1600¹ and 2015/1790² appointing the members of the European Economic and Social Committee for the period from 21 September 2015 to 20 September 2020.
- (2) A member's seat on the European Economic and Social Committee has become vacant following the end of the term of office of Mr Rudi THOMAES,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

¹ Council Decision (EU, Euratom) 2015/1600 of 18 September 2015 appointing the members of the European Economic and Social Committee for the period from 21 September 2015 to 20 September 2020 (OJ L 248, 24.9.2015, p. 53).

² Council Decision (EU, Euratom) 2015/1790 of 1 October 2015 appointing the members of the European Economic and Social Committee for the period from 21 September 2015 to 20 September 2020 (OJ L 260, 7.10.2015, p. 23).

Article 1

Mr Paul SOETE, *Ancien Administrateur délégué d'AGORIA*, is hereby appointed as a member of the European Economic and Social Committee for the remainder of the current term of office, which runs until 20 September 2020.

Article 2

This Decision shall enter into force on the date of its adoption.

Done at Brussels,

For the Council

The President
