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From: General Secretariat of the Council
To: Permanent Representatives Committee (Part 2)
Subject: Draft Council Decision appointing three members and four alternate members, proposed by Ireland, of the Committee of the Regions
- Adoption by silence procedure

1. By letters dated 6 April 2016 and 10 May 2016, the Secretary-General of the Committee of the Regions has informed the Council of the end of the terms of office of Ms Maria BYRNE, Mr Neale RICHMOND and Ms Rose CONWAY WALSH, members of the Committee of the Regions and of Ms Fiona O'LOUGHLIN and Mr Maurice QUINLIVAN, alternate members of the Committee of the Regions.
2. Two alternate members' seats will become available following the appointment Ms Deirdre FORDE and Mr Michael MURPHY as members 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 Irish Government has proposed¹ for the remainder of the current term of office, which runs until 25 January 2020:

(a) as members:

- Mr Michael MURPHY, Councillor, Tipperary County Council,
- Ms Deirdre FORDE, Councillor, Cork County Council,
- Mr Gerry MURRAY, Councillor, Mayo County Council,

and

(b) as alternate members:

- Mr Barry WARD, Councillor, Dún Laoighaire/Rathdown County Council,
- Ms Irene WINTERS, Councillor, Wicklow County Council,
- Mr Eamon DOOLEY, Councillor, Offaly County Council,
- Ms Dianne NOLAN, Councillor, Kerry County Council.

5. The Presidency invites the Permanent Representatives Committee to suggest that the Council adopt the Decision in 11129/16 CDR 67 by the simplified written procedure, as set out in Article 12(2)b of the Council's Rules of Procedure.

6. Once adopted, the Decision will be published in the Official Journal of the European Union in conformity with Article 297(2), second subparagraph TFEU.

¹ 11128/16 CDR 66