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**'I/A' ITEM NOTE**

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From: General Secretariat of the Council  
To: Permanent Representatives Committee/Council

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Subject: Draft Council Decision appointing an alternate member, proposed by the Republic of Finland, of the Committee of the Regions  
- Adoption

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1. By letter dated 7 February 2017, the Secretary-General of the Committee of the Regions notified the Council of the resignation of Ms Katri KULMUNI, alternate member of the Committee of the Regions<sup>1</sup>.
2. 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 the respective Member States.
3. In accordance with that provision, the Finnish Government has proposed<sup>2</sup> the following as an alternate member for the remainder of the current term of office, which runs until 25 January 2020:
  - Ms Merja LAHTINEN, *Jämsän kaupunginvaltuuston jäsen*.

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<sup>1</sup> 6117/17 CDR 14.

<sup>2</sup> 7863/17 CDR 60.

4. The Permanent Representatives Committee is therefore asked to suggest that the Council adopt the Decision set out in 7864/17 CDR 61 as an 'A' item at a forthcoming meeting.
  5. That Decision will be published in the Official Journal of the European Union pursuant to the second subparagraph of Article 297(2) TFEU.
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