



Council of the
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“I” ITEM NOTE

from: General Secretariat of the Council
to: Permanent Representatives Committee (Part 2)/Council
Subject: Committee of the Regions
- Appointment of four members and four alternate members (IE)

1. The Secretary General of the Committee of the Regions has informed the Council of the end of the term of office of of Mr Gerry BREEN, Ms Constance HANNIFFY, Mr Des HURLEY and Mr Brian MEANEY, members of the Committee of the Regions, and Mr Barney STEELE and Ms Catherine YORE, alternate members of the Committee of the Regions.
2. Two alternate members' seats will become vacant following the appointment of Ms Maria BYRNE and Ms Mary FREEHILL 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 proposed ¹ for the remainder of the current term of office, which runs until 25 January 2015:

a) as members:

- Ms Maria BYRNE, *Councillor, Limerick City and County Council*
- Mr Eamon DOOLEY, *Councillor, Offaly County Council*
- Ms Mary FREEHILL, *Councillor, Dublin City Council*
- Mr Neale RICHMOND, *Councillor, Dun Laoghaire Rathdown County Council.*

and

b) as alternate members:

- Ms Deirdre FORDE, *Councillor, Cork County Council*
- Mr Clifford KELLY, *Councillor, Cavan County Council*
- Mr Michael MURPHY, *Councillor, Tipperary County Council*
- Mr William PATON, *Councillor, Carlow County Council.*

5. The Permanent Representatives Committee is therefore asked:

- to suggest that the Council adopt the Decision in doc. 11988/14 CDR 66;
- to decide to use the written procedure in order to adopt the Decision in the absence of any session of the Council before 25 September 2014.

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

¹ cf. doc. 11987/14 CDR 65.