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From: Presidency
To: Permanent Representatives Committee (Part 2)
Subject: Draft Council Decision appointing an Estonian member and an Estonian alternate member of the Committee of the Regions
- Examination of the draft Council Decision

1. The Secretary General of the Committee of the Regions has informed the Council of the passing away of Ms Urve ERIKSON, member of the Committee of the Regions.
2. An alternate member's seat will become vacant following the appointment of Mr Mart VÕRKLAEV.
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 Estonian Government has proposed¹ for the remainder of the current term of office, which runs until 25 January 2020:
 - a) as member:
 - Mr Mart VÕRKLAEV, *Member of Rae Municipal Council.*

¹ cf. doc. 11537/15 CDR 63

b) as alternate member:

– Mr Juri GOTMANS, *Mayor of Haanja Municipality*.

5. The Permanent Representatives Committee is therefore asked:

- to suggest that the Council adopt the Decision in doc. 11539/15 CDR 64;
- to decide to use the silence procedure, as set out in Article 12(2)b of the Council's rules of Procedure, in order to adopt the Decision in the absence of any session of the Council before 14 September 2015.

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