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From: General Secretariat of the Council
To: Permanent Representatives Committee (Part 2)

Subject: Draft Council Decision appointing five members and four alternate members, proposed by the Republic of France, of the Committee of the Regions
- Examination of the draft Council Decision

1. By letter dated 15 April 2015, the Secretary-General of the Committee of the Regions has informed the Council of the end of the terms of office of Ms Claudette BRUNET-LECHENAULT, Mr Jean-Louis DESTANS, Mr Pierre HUGON, Ms Anne-Marie KEISER and Mr Pierre MAILLE, members of the Committee of the Regions and of Mr Pierre BERTRAND, Ms Mireille LACOMBE and Mr Jean-Louis TOURENNE, alternate members of the Committee of the Regions.
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 their respective Member States.

3. In accordance with that provision, the French Government has proposed¹ for the remainder of the current term of office, which runs until 25 January 2020:
- a) as members:
- M. Jean-Paul POURQUIER, *Conseiller départemental de la Lozère*,
 - Mme Nathalie SARRABEZOLLES, *Présidente du Conseil départemental du Finistère*,
 - Mme Martine VASSAL, *Présidente du Conseil départemental des Bouches-du-Rhône*,
 - M. Jean-Noël VERFAILLIE, *Conseiller départemental du Nord*,
 - M. André VIOLA, *Président du Conseil départemental de l'Aude*,
- b) as alternate members:
- Mme Claudette BRUNET LECHENAULT, *Conseillère départementale de Saône-et-Loire*,
 - M. Christian GILLET, *Président du Conseil départemental de Maine-et Loire*,
 - Mme Nathalie MARAJO-GUTHMULLER, *Conseillère départementale du Bas-Rhin*,
 - M. Claude WALLENDORFF, *Vice-Président du Conseil départemental des Ardennes*.
4. The Presidency invites the Permanent Representatives Committee to suggest that the Council adopt the Decision in doc. 7208/16 CDR 31 by the simplified written procedure, as set out in Article 12(2)b of the Council's Rules of Procedure.
5. 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 cf. doc. 7207/16 CDR 30