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#### 'I/A' ITEM NOTE

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From: General Secretariat of the Council  
To: Permanent Representatives Committee/Council  
Subject: Draft Council Decision appointing a member and an alternate member,  
proposed by the Federal Republic of Germany, of the Committee of the  
Regions  
- Adoption

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1. By letter dated 19 June 2017, the Secretary-General of the Committee of the Regions notified the Council of the loss of mandate of Mr Markus TÖNS, member of the Committee of the Regions and of Mr Stefan ENGSTFELD, 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 German Government has proposed<sup>2</sup> for the remainder of the current term of office, which runs until 25 January 2020:
  - a) as a member:
    - Dr Mark SPEICH, *Staatssekretär für Bundes- und Europaangelegenheiten sowie Internationales (Nordrhein-Westfalen)*,

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<sup>1</sup> 10668/17.

<sup>2</sup> 6735/18.

and

b) as an alternate member:

– Mr Dietmar BROCKES, *Mitglied des Landtags Nordrhein-Westfalen*.

4. The Permanent Representatives Committee is therefore asked to suggest that the Council adopt the Decision set out in 6736/18 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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