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NOTE

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

Subject: Agency for the Cooperation of Energy Regulators (ACER) - Appointment of three members and three alternate members of the Administrative Board
- Examination and selection of candidatures

1. The establishment of an Agency for the Cooperation of Energy Regulators was decided by Regulation (EC) No 713/2009 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 13 July 2009 establishing an Agency for the Cooperation of Energy Regulators ¹.
2. Article 12 of the Regulation provides for the establishment of an Administrative Board which will consist of nine members and nine alternates. Five members and five alternates are to be appointed by the Council.
3. In a letter, sent on 17 July 2017 by the Chairman of the Administrative Board of ACER, the Presidency was informed that the current mandates of two members (Mr Guy Lentz and Mr Jochen Penker) and three alternates (Mr Carlos Aguirre Calzada, Mr Pál Kovács and Romas Švedas) will end on 28 January 2018. In a second letter sent on 28 September 2017, the Presidency was informed that Mr Piotr Woźniak had resigned from his four years mandate (starting on 28 January 2016) as member. The Council will now have to appoint three new members and three alternates to replace them.

¹ OJ L 211, 14.08.2009, p. 1.

4. Following a call for candidatures, the Presidency has received by the final deadline set to 13 December 2017, the following eight candidacies (presented in the alphabetical order):
- Mr Ioan Dan GHEORGHIU, Romania
 - Mr Pál KOVÁCS, Hungary
 - Mr Ľubomír KUČHTA, Slovakia
 - Mr Jochen PENKER, Austria
 - Mr Paweł PIKUS, Poland
 - Mr Jurijs SPIRIDONOVŠ, Latvia
 - Mr Michel THIOLLIÈRE, France
 - Mr Diego VÁZQUEZ TEIJEIRA, Spain
5. Coreper is invited to proceed in two steps:
- to select their first and second choice from the candidacies presented in ADD 1.
 - to pronounce itself on the three members and three alternates on the basis of a list established by the Presidency according to the preferences expressed by Coreper following the selection procedure.
6. On the basis of the outcome of the process outlined in paragraph 5, the formal decision of the Council on the appointment of the three members and three alternates of the ACER Administrative Board will be submitted to Coreper/Council as point I/A of the agenda.
7. In addition, in accordance with the Joint Declaration made by the Cypriot and Danish delegations at the meeting of Coreper on 2 December 2015, and following the resignation by Mr Georgios Shammas and Mr Martin Hansen from their current mandates, the above Council Decision will include the appointments of Mr Martin Hansen as member of the Administrative Board for a period of two years from 28 January 2018 and Mr Georgios Shammas as alternate member of the Administrative Board for a period of two years from the same date.