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From: General Secretariat of the Council  
To: Delegations  
Subject: Committee of the Regions  
- Letter from Germany - appointment of an alternate member

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Delegations will find attached a translation of a letter dated 14 August 2019 from Ms Susanne Szech-Koundouros, Deputy Permanent Representative of the Federal Republic of Germany to the European Union, addressed to Mr Jeppe TRANHOLM-MIKKELSEN, Secretary-General of the Council of the European Union.

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To the  
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**Susanne Szech-Koundouros**  
Ambassador  
Deputy Permanent Representative  
of the Federal Republic of Germany  
to the European Union

Brussels, 14 August 2019

**SUBJECT: Nomination of members to the Committee of the Regions for the sixth term of office**

Dear Sir,

I would kindly ask you to initiate the appointment procedure laid down in Article 305 TFEU for the following renewed nomination to the Committee of the Regions (CoR):

The German Association of Towns and Municipalities has nominated Mr Heinz-Joachim Höfer, Mitglied des Stadtrates der Kreisstadt Altenkirchen (Westerwald), as an alternate member of the CoR for the remainder of the sixth term of office. This renewed nomination was necessitated by the loss of his elected position in a local authority and the change to his mandate.

The Federal Government hereby proposes that Mr Heinz-Joachim Höfer be reappointed as an alternate member of the CoR for its sixth term of office.

(complimentary close)

Conference of the  
Heads of Government  
of the German Länder 2018/2019  
**Free and Hanseatic City of Hamburg**  
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Ministry of Foreign Affairs  
11013 Berlin

**Nomination of the alternate member of the Committee of the Regions representing the German Association of Towns and Municipalities, for the remainder of the sixth term of office**

Dear Sir,

By letter dated 12 July 2019, the deputy Chief Executive of the German Association of Towns and Municipalities, Mr Uwe Zimmermann, informed me in my capacity as current chair of the Conference of Ministers-President that the German Association of Towns and Municipalities has renewed its nomination of Mr Heinz-Joachim Höfer, Mitglied des Landtages, as an alternate member of the Committee of the Regions (CoR).

This nomination was necessary because Mr Heinz-Joachim Höfer, Mitglied des Landtages, ceased to be a CoR member on 2 July 2019 owing to the loss of his elected position in a local authority.

Please find enclosed the nominee's personal details, which I am submitting to you in accordance with Article 2 of the agreement on posting members and alternates to the CoR with the request that it be forwarded to the Council.

(complimentary close)

Dr Peter Tschentscher  
First Mayor

(Encl.)

**Nomination of the alternate member of the CoR  
for the German Association of Towns and Municipalities for the sixth term of office**

**Personal details for Mr Heinz-Joachim Höfer, Mitglied des Landtages**

Surname: Höfer

Forename: Heinz-Joachim

Local electoral mandate  
Mitglied des Stadtrates der Kreisstadt Altenkirchen  
(Westerwald)

Term of office: 2 July 2019 to 31 May or 30 June 2024

Political affiliation: SPD

Date of birth: OMISSIS

Place of birth: OMISSIS

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