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'I/A' ITEM NOTE

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

Subject: Draft Council Decision appointing an alternate member, proposed by the
Federal Republic of Germany, of the Committee of the Regions
- Adoption

1. By letter dated 29 November 2017, the Secretary-General of the Committee of the Regions notified the Council of the resignation of Ms Anke SPOORENDONK, alternate member of the Committee of the Regions¹.
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.

¹ 14952/17 CDR 170.

3. In accordance with that provision, the German Government has proposed² the following person as an alternate member for the remainder of the current term of office, which runs until 25 January 2020:
 - Ms Sabine SÜTTERLIN-WAACK, *Ministerin für Justiz, Europa, Verbraucherschutz und Gleichstellung des Landes Schleswig-Holstein.*
 4. The Permanent Representatives Committee is therefore asked to suggest that the Council adopt the Decision set out in 5176/18 CDR 8 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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² 5175/18 CDR 7.