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From:	General Secretariat of the Council
To:	Delegations
Subject:	Committee of the Regions - Letter from Austria - appointment of one member

Delegations will find in the annex the translation of a letter dated 27 May 2022, from Mr Nikolaus MARSCHIK, Permanent Representative of Austria to the European Union, addressed to the General Secretariat of the Council of the European Union.

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**The Permanent Representative**

**Ref.: Brüssel-ÖV/BMEIA/0274/2022**

**Brussels, 27 May 2022**

Dear Sir,

Pursuant to Article 305 TFEU, the Council appoints members and alternate members of the CoR for five years on the basis of a proposal made by each Member State. Where the term of office of a member or an alternate member is terminated before expiry of that period, a replacement is appointed for the remaining term of office by the same procedure.

We hereby inform you that Mr Bernhard Baier informed the Secretary General of the Committee of the Regions (CoR) by letter of 15 March 2022 that he would stand down from his political role and term of office at the Linz City Council on 17 March 2022, hereby automatically ending his term of office at the Committee of the Regions (CoR) on that day.

On 18 May 2022, the Austrian Federal Government therefore nominated Mr Hannes Weninger, Gemeinderat der Gemeinde Gießhübl und Abgeordneter zum Niederösterreichischen Landtag (Municipal Councillor of the Municipality of Gießhübl and Member of the Lower Austrian State Parliament), as full member of the CoR (replacing Mr Bernhard Baier). Mr Hannes Weninger is currently an alternate Austrian member of the CoR.

Please find enclosed the details of the nominee in the form requested by the General Secretariat of the Council. I would kindly request that you draw up the appointment decision for the earliest possible Council meeting.

(Complimentary close)

Dr Nikolaus Marschik, Ambassador

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