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Delegations will find attached a letter dated 19 January 2023 from Mr Tom HANNEY, Permanent Representative of Ireland to the EU, addressed to Ms Thérèse BLANCHET, Secretary-General of the Council of the EU.

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19 January 2023

Dear Secretary General

I have the honour to communicate to you that Dr. Neil Walker is the Irish Government's nominee to fill the currently vacant post in the Irish Delegation at the European Economic and Social Committee. Dr. Walker replaces Ms. Mary Doyle who stepped down from the Committee last year.

Dr. Walker is being nominated to fill the vacancy in Group (I) Employers, to the end of the current term (20 September 2025). The Organisation represented under Group I is the Irish Business & Employers Confederation (IBEC). Dr Walker has an academic background in chemical engineering and environmental economics and is currently Head of Infrastructure, Energy and Environment at IBEC. We believe he is ideally placed to make a significant contribution to the work of the EESC.

We attach the required form Annex 1 and a longer form CV for Dr. Walker as requested. If you require anything further please do not hesitate to contact the Representation.

Yours sincerely,

Tom Hanney

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Permanent Representative of Ireland to the EU

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