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'I/A' ITEM NOTE

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

Subject: COUNCIL DECISION appointing a member and two alternate members,
proposed by the Kingdom of the Netherlands, of the Committee of the
Regions
- Adoption

1. By letter of 5 November 2021¹, 4 January² and 30 May 2022³, the Secretary-General of the Committee of the Regions notified the Council of the resignations of Mr Ronald Eduard DE HEER, member of the Committee of the Regions, of Ms Marcelle HENDRICKX and of Mr Ben VAN ASSCHE, alternate members of the Committee of the Regions.
2. Under Article 305 TFEU, the Council appoints members and alternate members of the Committee of the Regions, acting by a qualified majority on proposals by the respective Member States.

¹ 14085/21.
² 5540/22.
³ 9781/22.

3. In accordance with that provision and for the purpose of the replacement of Mr DE HEER, the Dutch Government has proposed⁴ Ms Elisabeth VAN SELM, representative of a local body who is politically accountable to an elected assembly, *burgemeester van de gemeente Purmerend* (Mayor of the municipality Purmerend), as a member of the Committee of the Regions for the remainder of the current term of office, which runs until 25 January 2025.
4. Moreover, the Dutch Government has proposed the following representatives of local bodies who are politically accountable to an elected assembly as alternate members of the Committee of the Regions for the remainder of the current term of office, which runs until 25 January 2025: Mr Bouke Roelof ARENDS, *burgemeester van de gemeente Westland* (Mayor of the municipality Westland), and Mr Jeroen Bastiaan DIEPEMAAT, *wethouder van de gemeente Enschede* (Alderman of the municipality Enschede).
5. In view of the above, the Permanent Representatives Committee is therefore invited to confirm its agreement on the text of the Decision set out in document 6110/23 and to suggest that the Council adopt that Decision as an 'A' item at a forthcoming meeting.

⁴ 5868/23.