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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 three alternate members, proposed by the Republic of Latvia, of the Committee of the Regions - Adoption

1. By letter of 17 January 2023¹, the Secretary-General of the Committee of the Regions notified the Council of end of the mandate on the basis of which Ms Inga BĒRZIŅA, member of the Committee of the Regions, and Mr Raimonds ČUDARS and Mr Māris SPRINDŽUKS, alternate members of the Committee of the Regions, were proposed for appointment and appointed.
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 5730/23.

3. In accordance with that provision and for the purpose of the replacement of Ms Inga BĒRZIŅA, the Latvian Government has proposed² Mr Māris ZUSTS, representative of a local body who holds a local authority electoral mandate, *Deputāts, Saldus novada dome* (Council Member, Saldus municipality council), as a member of the Committee of the Regions for the remainder of the current term of office, which runs until 25 January 2025. Following his appointment, an alternate member's seat on the Committee of the Regions will become vacant.
4. Moreover, the Latvian Government has proposed the following representatives of local bodies who hold a local authority electoral mandate as alternate members of the Committee of the Regions for the remainder of the current term of office, which runs until 25 January 2025: Ms Karīna MIĶELSONE, *Deputāte, Ādažu novada dome* (Council Member, Ādaži municipality council), Ms Vita PAULĀNE, *Deputāte, Ropažu novada dome* (Council Member, Ropaži municipality council), and Mr Aivars PRIEDOLS, *Deputāts, Dienvidkurzemes novada dome* (Council Member, Dienvidkurzeme municipality council).
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 8820/23 and to suggest that the Council adopt that Decision as an 'A' item at a forthcoming meeting.

² 8816/23.