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'I/A' ITEM NOTE

From:	General Secretariat of the Council
To:	Permanent Representatives Committee/Council
Subject:	Council Decision appointing five members and three alternate members, proposed by the Kingdom of Spain, of the Committee of the Regions - Adoption

1. By letters of 18 July 2023¹, 28 July 2023² and 31 July 2023³, the Secretary-General of the Committee of the Regions notified the Council of the end of the national mandates on the basis of which Ms Concepción ANDREU RODRÍGUEZ, Mr Guillermo FERNÁNDEZ VARA, Ms Paula FERNÁNDEZ VIAÑA, Mr Ximo PUIG i FERRER and Mr Ángel Víctor TORRES PÉREZ, members of the Committee of the Regions, were proposed for appointment and appointed.

¹ 12171/23.
² 12253/23.
³ 12269/23 and 12270/23.

2. By letters of 18 July 2023⁴, 4 September 2023⁵, 14 September 2023⁶, the Secretary-General of the Committee of the Regions notified the Council of the end of the national mandates on the basis of which Ms Ana Belén ÁLVAREZ FERNÁNDEZ, Ms Rosa BALAS TORRES, and Ms Ana Isabel CÁRCABA GARCÍA, alternate members of the Committee of the Regions, were proposed for appointment and appointed.
3. 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.
4. In accordance with that provision and for the purpose of their replacement, the Spanish Government has proposed⁷ the following representatives of regional bodies who hold a regional authority electoral mandate as members of the Committee of the Regions for the remainder of the current term of office, which runs until 25 January 2025: Mr Gonzalo CAPELLAN DE MIGUEL, *Presidente del Gobierno de La Rioja* (President of the Government of La Rioja), Mr Fernando CLAVIJO BATLLE, *Presidente del Gobierno de Canarias* (President of the Government of the Canary Islands), Ms María GUARDIOLA MARTÍN, *Presidenta de la Junta de Extremadura* (President of the Regional Government of Extremadura), Mr Carlos MAZÓN GUIXOT, *President de la Generalitat Valenciana* (President of the Regional Government of Valencia), and Ms María José SÁENZ DE BURUAGA, *Presidenta del Gobierno de Cantabria* (President of the Government of Cantabria).

⁴ 12171/23.
⁵ 12774/23.
⁶ 13093/23.
⁷ 12917/23, 13389/23, and 13198/23.

5. Moreover, the Spanish Government has proposed⁸ the following representatives of regional bodies who hold a regional authority electoral mandate or 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: Ms Raquel GARCÍA GONZÁLEZ, *Directora General de Asuntos Europeos, Gobierno del Principado de Asturias* (Director-General for European Affairs, Government of Principality of Asturias), Mr Pablo HURTADO PARDO, *Director General de Acción Exterior, Junta de Extremadura* (Director-General for External Action, Regional Government of Extremadura), and Ms María Isabel URRUTIA DE LOS MOZOS, *Consejera de Presidencia, Interior, Justicia, Seguridad y Simplificación administrativa del Gobierno de Cantabria* (Regional Minister for the Presidency, Home Affairs, Justice, Security and Administrative simplification, Government of Cantabria).
6. 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 13138/23 and to suggest that the Council adopt that Decision as an 'A' item at a forthcoming meeting.
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⁸ 13274/23, 12917/23, and 13389/23.