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From:	Presidency of the Council
To:	Ms Ursula VON DER LEYEN, President of the European Commission
Subject:	Letter from the Presidency concerning the appointment of a Member of the Commission

Delegations will find in the Annex a letter, dated 5 October 2023, from the Presidency, and addressed to the President of the Commission, requesting her accord with the appointment of Mr Wopke HOEKSTRA as Member of the European Commission.



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Ms Ursula VON DER LEYEN
President of the European Commission

Subject: Appointment of a new Member of the Commission by common accord with its President

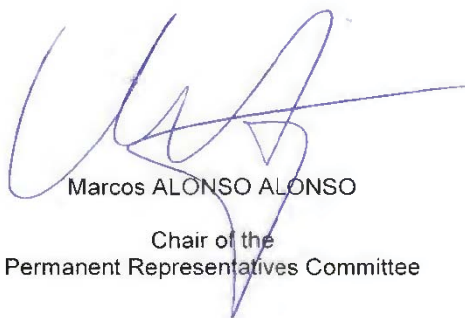
Madam,

Pursuant to Article 246, second paragraph, TFEU, in case of a vacancy caused by resignation, the Council, by common accord with the President of the Commission, shall appoint a new Member of the Commission of the same nationality, for the remainder of the term of office of the Member who has resigned.

Following the resignation of Mr Frans TIMMERMANS, the Kingdom of the Netherlands has suggested Mr Wopke HOEKSTRA. The European Parliament has adopted its opinion at its plenary on 5 October 2023.

In order to continue the appointment procedure, the Presidency of the Council would be grateful if you, President of the Commission, could kindly notify the Council your accord.

Yours faithfully,



Marcos ALONSO ALONSO
Chair of the
Permanent Representatives Committee