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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, proposed by the Kingdom of Belgium, of the Committee of the Regions
	- Adoption

- 1. By letter of 4 July 2023¹, the Secretary-General of the Committee of the Regions notified the Council of the end of the mandate on the basis of which Mr Pascal SMET, member of the Committee of the Regions, was 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.

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- 3. In accordance with that provision and for the purpose of filling the vacant post, the Belgian Government has proposed² Mr Pascal SMET, representative of a regional body who holds a regional authority electoral mandate, Lid van het Brussels Hoofdstedelijk Parlement (Member of the Parliament of the Brussels-Capital Region), as a member of the Committee of the Regions, on the basis of a different national mandate, for the remainder of the current term of office, which runs until 25 January 2025.
- 4. In view of the above, the <u>Permanent Representatives Committee</u> is therefore invited to confirm its agreement on the text of the Decision set out in document 13975/23 and to suggest that the Council adopt that Decision as an 'A' item at a forthcoming meeting.

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