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Delegations will find in the Annex a letter dated 25 October 2023, from Ms Simone KREUTZER, Permanent Representative of the Kingdom of the Netherlands to the European Union, addressed to Ms Thérèse BLANCHET, Secretary-General of the Council of the European Union.

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Date: 25 October 2023  
Subject: change in membership of the European Committee of the Regions

Dear Ms Blanchet,

I would like to bring to your attention the following changes to the Netherlands delegation to the European Committee of the Regions. Due to the results of the provincial elections, only mr. Martijn Gruijthuisen will remain a member of the delegation. The other 11 members will change.

Following the departure of mr. Johan Hamster, in his place:

1. Mr. Bram Schmaal, Regional Minister of the Province Groningen, as an alternate member of the Netherlands delegation to the European Committee of the Regions.

Following the departure of mr. Klaas Fokkinga, in his place:

2. Mr. Friso Douwstra, Regional Minister of the Province Fryslân, as a member of the Netherlands delegation to the European Committee of the Regions.

Following the departure of mr. Tjisse Stelpstra, in his place:

3. Mr. Egbert van Dijk, King's Commissioner Province Noord-Holland, as an alternate member of the Netherlands delegation to the European Committee of the Regions.

Following the departure of mr. Michiel Rijsberman, in his place:

4. Mr. Jan Klopman, Regional Minister of the Province Flevoland, as an alternate member of the Netherlands delegation to the European Committee of the Regions.

Following the departure of mr. Robert Strijk, in his place:

5. Mrs. Mirjam Sterk, Regional Minister of the Province Zuid-Holland, as a member of the Netherlands delegation to the European Committee of the Regions.

Following the departure of mr. John Berends, in his place:

6. Mrs. Ans. Mol, Regional Minister of the Province Gelderland, as a member of the Netherlands delegation to the European Committee of the Regions.

Following the departure of mr. Eddy van Hijum, in his place:

7. Mr. Erwin Hoogland, Regional Minister of the Province Overijssel, as an alternate member of the Netherlands delegation to the European Committee of the Regions.

Following the departure of mr. Maarten van Gaans, in his place:

8. Mrs. Elianne Demollin-Schneiders, Regional Minister of the Province Limburg, as an alternate member of the Netherlands delegation to the European Committee of the Regions.

Following the departure of mrs. Anita Pijpelink, in her place:

9. Mr. Wilfried Nielen, Regional Minister of the Province Zeeland, as an alternate member of the Netherlands delegation to the European Committee of the Regions.

Following the departure of mrs. Jaenette Baljeu, in her place:

10. Mrs. Mariette van Leeuwen, Regional Minister of the Province Zuid-Holland, as a member of the Netherlands delegation to the European Committee of the Regions.

Following the departure of mrs. Ilse Zaal, in her place:

11. Mr. Arthur van Dijk, King's Commissioner Province Noord-Holland, as a member of the Netherlands delegation to the European Committee of the Regions.

Please find attached the personal data of mr. Schaal, mr. Douwstra, mr. Van Dijk, mr. Klopman, mrs. Sterk, mrs. Mol, mr. Hoogland, mrs. Demollin-Schneiders, mrs. Nielen, mrs. Van Leeuwen and mr. Van Dijk.

On behalf of the Permanent Representative,

Simone Kreutzer  
Counsellor