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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 an alternate member, proposed by the Kingdom of the Netherlands, of the Committee of the Regions - Adoption

1. By letter of 23 October 2023¹, the Secretary-General of the Committee of the Regions notified the Council of the end of the national mandate on the basis of which Mr Ufuk KÂHYA, member of the Committee of the Regions, was proposed for appointment and appointed.
2. By letter of 23 October 2023², the Secretary-General of the Committee of the Regions notified the Council of the end of the national mandate on the basis of which Ms Marina Caroline STARMANS-GELIJNS, alternate member of the Committee of the Regions, was 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.

¹ 14624/23.

² 14624/23.

4. In accordance with that provision and for the purpose of the replacement of Mr Ufuk KÂHYA, the Dutch Government has proposed³ Mr Guido Pascal RINK, representative of a local body who is politically accountable to an elected assembly, *Wethouder gemeente Emmen* (Vice-Mayor of the municipality of Emmen), as a member of the Committee of the Regions for the remainder of the current term of office, which runs until 25 January 2025.
5. Moreover, in accordance with that provision and for the purpose of the replacement of Ms Marina Caroline STARMANS-GELIJNS, the Dutch Government has proposed⁴ Ms Marina Caroline STARMANS-GELIJNS, representative of a local body who is politically accountable to an elected assembly, *Burgemeester van de gemeente Etten-Leur* (Mayor of the municipality Etten-Leur), on the basis of a different mandate, as an alternate member of the Committee of the Regions for the remainder of the current term of office, which runs until 25 January 2025.
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 16262/23 and to suggest that the Council adopt that Decision as an 'A' item at a forthcoming meeting.

³ 16261/23.

⁴ 16261/23.