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From:	Permanent Representation of Portugal to the European Union
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To:	Thérèse Blanchet, Secretary-General of the Council of the European Union
Subject:	Committee of the Regions - Letter from Portugal - appointment of an alternate member

Delegations will find in the Annex the translation of a letter, dated 18 July 2024, from the Permanent Representative of Portugal to the European Union, addressed to Ms Thérèse BLANCHET, Secretary-General of the Council of the European Union.

Encl.: IM 8697 2024

PORTUGUESE REPUBLIC PERMANENT REPRESENTATION OF PORTUGAL  
TO THE EUROPEAN UNION,  
BRUSSELS

Brussels, 18 July 2024

Dear Secretary-General,

Following the end of the term of office of Mr Pedro Chaves de Faria e Castro as an alternate member of the Committee of the Regions of the European Union, I have the honour of informing you of his replacement as an alternate member of the said Committee by Mr Artur Manuel Leal de Lima, Vice-Presidente do Governo Regional dos Açores (Vice-President of the Regional Government of the Azores), nominated pursuant to the Council of Ministers' Resolution No 89/2024 of 4 July 2024.

For this purpose, I enclose a copy of the aforementioned Resolution of the Council of Ministers, as well as the form containing information on the proposed member, including his contact details.

(Complimentary close)

The Permanent Representative

To  
Thérèse Blanchet  
Secretary-General  
Council of the European Union  
BRUSSELS

Annex

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**PRESIDENCY OF THE COUNCIL OF MINISTERS**

**Resolution of the Council of Ministers No 89/2024**

Summary: Proposal to the Council of the European Union for the appointment of an alternate member of the Committee of the Regions for the current five-year period (2020-2025).

The members of the Committee of the Regions of the European Union and their alternates, in accordance with Article 300(3) of the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union, are representatives of regional and local bodies who either hold a regional or local authority electoral mandate or are politically accountable to an elected assembly.

Accordingly, their terms of office end, specifically, at the end of the term of office for which they were appointed. In this context, following the end of the term of office of Mr Pedro Chaves de Faria e Castro as Subsecretário Regional da Presidência do Governo Regional dos Açores (Under-secretary of the Presidency of the Azores Regional Government), following the parliamentary elections held on 4 February 2024, his term as alternate member of that Committee also ended.

In view of the previous nominations approved by Resolutions of the Council of Ministers No 192/2019 of 16 December 2019, No 104-A/2020 of 27 November 2020 and No 10/2021 of 10 February 2021, it is now appropriate for a new proposal to be made in order to ensure proper representation, taking into account the opinion of the Government of the Autonomous Region of the Azores on the matter.

Consequently:

In accordance with Article 199(g) of the Constitution, the Council of Ministers hereby resolves to:

- 1 – Propose that the Council of the European Union replace Mr Pedro Chaves de Faria e Castro by appointing Mr Artur Manuel Leal de Lima, Vice-Presidente do Governo Regional dos Açores (Vice-President of the Regional Government of the Azores), who will replace the Presidente do Governo Regional dos Açores (President of the Regional Government of the Azores) in the event of his absence or incapacity, as an alternate member of the Committee of the Regions of the European Union for the current five-year period, 2020-2025.
- 2 – State that this resolution shall take effect on 4 March 2024.

Presidency of the Council of Ministers, 4 July 2024. – The Prime Minister,  
Mr Luis Montenegro.

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