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#### 'I' ITEM NOTE

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From: General Secretariat of the Council  
To: Permanent Representatives Committee (Part 1)

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Subject: Council Decision appointing the members and alternate members of the Committee of the Regions for the period from 1 February 2020 to 25 January 2025  
- Decision to use the written procedure for the adoption

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1. The term of office of the Committee of the Regions expired on 25 January 2020. Under Article 305 TFEU, members and alternate members of the Committee of the Regions are appointed by the Council, acting by a qualified majority on proposals from the respective Member States.
2. In accordance with this provision, the Governments of the Member States have forwarded to the General Secretariat proposals for candidates for appointment as members and alternate members of the Committee of the Regions for the period 2020-2025.

3. Until now the Council has adopted Decisions (EU) 2019/2157<sup>1</sup>, 2020/102<sup>2</sup>, 2020/144<sup>3</sup> and 2020/511<sup>4</sup> appointing the members and alternate members of the Committee of the Regions for the period from 26 January 2020 to 25 January 2025.
4. As the withdrawal of the United Kingdom became legally effective on 1 February 2020, from that date the number of members of the Committee of the Regions shall be that provided for in Article 1 of the Decision (EU) 2019/852 on the composition of the Committee of the Regions<sup>5</sup>. Consequently, the Estonian, Cypriot and Luxembourg Governments are entitled to propose one additional member and one additional alternate member.
5. The Estonian, Cypriot and Luxembourg Governments have proposed their candidates for additional members and alternate members' seats. Those members and alternate members should be appointed for the period running from 1 February 2020 to 25 January 2025. This Decision should therefore apply retroactively from 1 February 2020.

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<sup>1</sup> Council Decision (EU) 2019/2157 of 10 December 2019 appointing the members and alternate members of the Committee of the Regions for the period from 26 January 2020 to 25 January 2025 (OJ L 327, 17.12.2019, p. 78).

<sup>2</sup> Council Decision (EU) 2020/102 of 20 January 2020 appointing the members and alternate members of the Committee of the Regions for the period from 26 January 2020 to 25 January 2025 (OJ L 20, 24.1.2020, p. 2).

<sup>3</sup> Council Decision (EU) 2020/144 of 3 February 2020 appointing the members and alternate members of the Committee of the Regions for the period from 26 January 2020 to 25 January 2025 (OJ L 32, 4.2.2020, p. 16).

<sup>4</sup> Council Decision (EU) 2020/511 of 26 March 2020 appointing the members and alternate members of the Committee of the Regions for the period from 26 January 2020 to 25 January 2025 (OJ L 113, 8.4.2020, p. 18).

<sup>5</sup> Council Decision (EU) 2019/852 of 21 May 2019 determining the composition of the Committee of the Regions (OJ L 139, 27.5.2019, p. 13).

6. The Permanent Representatives Committee is therefore invited to:
- a) recommend that the Council adopt the Decision appointing the members and alternate members of the Committee of the Regions for the period from 1 February 2020 to 25 January 2025, as set out in document 7832/20;
  - b) decide, in accordance with Article 19(7)(e) of the Council's Rules of Procedure, to use the written procedure referred to in Article 12(1) thereof to adopt the Decision referred to in (a).
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