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From:	General Secretariat of the Council
To:	Permanent Representatives Committee
Subject:	Council Decision appointing a member of the European Economic and Social Committee for the period from 21 September 2020 to 20 September 2025 – Decision to use the written procedure for the adoption

1. The term of office of the European Economic and Social Committee expired on 20 September 2020. In accordance with Article 302 TFUE, Member States put forward their proposals for candidates for appointment as members of the Committee. The European Commission was consulted on these proposals.
2. On 2 October 2020, the Council adopted Decision (EU) 2020/1392 appointing the members of the European Economic and Social Committee for the period from 21 September 2020 to 20 September 2025, and repealing and replacing the Council Decision appointing the members of the European Economic and Social Committee for the period 21 September 2020 to 20 September 2025 adopted on 18 September 2020¹. One seat on the European Economic and Social Committee for Latvia remained empty and needed to be filled by a subsequent appointing Decision, applying retroactively as from 21 September 2020.

¹ OJ L 322, 5.10.2020, p. 1

3. By letter of 21 September 2020², Latvia submitted additional information regarding its proposal to appoint Ms Katrīna LEITĀNE as a member of the European Economic and Social Committee during the abovementioned period, in order to complete its list of members.
4. In view of the above, the Permanent Representatives Committee is invited:
- to confirm its agreement on the text of the Council Decision appointing a member of the European Economic and Social Committee for the period from 21 September 2020 to 20 September 2025, as finalised by the legal/linguistic experts and set out in document 11573/20, and
 - to decide, in accordance with the first subparagraph of Article 12(1) of the Council's Rules of Procedure and Article 1 of Council Decision 2020/430, as extended by Council Decision (EU) 2020/556, by Council Decision (EU) 2020/702, by Council Decision (EU) 2020/970 and by Council Decision (EU) 2020/1253, that the Council uses the written procedure for its adoption.
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² ST 11133/20 + COR 1.