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From: General Secretariat of the Council
To: Permanent Representatives Committee

Subject: Council Decision appointing a member of the Court of Auditors
– Decision to use the written procedure for the adoption

1. Pursuant to Article 286(2) TFEU, the Council, after consulting the European Parliament, appoints Members of the Court of Auditors in accordance with the proposals made by the Member States, for a term of six years.
2. By Council Decision (EU, Euratom) 2016/640¹, Mr Janusz WOJCIECHOWSKI was appointed member of the Court of Auditors for the period from 7 May 2016 to 6 May 2022.
3. By letter of 27 November 2019, Mr Janusz WOJCIECHOWSKI gave notice of his resignation as a member of the Court of Auditors with effect from 30 November 2019, due to his appointment as Commissioner.²
4. In accordance with Article 286(5) TFEU, a vacancy caused by resignation shall be filled for the remainder of the Member's term of office.

¹ Council Decision (EU, Euratom) 2016/640 of 21 April 2016 appointing five members of the Court of Auditors (OJ L 108, 23.4.2016, p. 32).

² 14716/19.

5. By letters of 29 October 2020 and 21 December 2020, the Republic of Poland nominated Mr Marek OPIOŁA for the appointment as a member of the Court of Auditors for the period from 1 February 2021 to 6 May 2022.³
6. The Council consulted the European Parliament on 5 November 2020 on the nomination of Mr Opiola.
7. The European Parliament delivered its opinion on this nomination on 15 December 2020.⁴
8. 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 Court of Auditors, as set out in document 13541/1/20 REV 1, 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, that the Council uses the written procedure for its adoption.

³ 12496/20 + ADD 1 REV 1.

⁴ The opinion has not yet been published in the Official Journal, but it is available on the EP website: https://www.europarl.europa.eu/doceo/document/TA-9-2020-0339_EN.html.