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

Subject: Council Decision appointing an alternate member of the Committee of the Regions
– Decision to use the written procedure for the adoption

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) 2019/2157¹, 2020/102², 2020/144³ and 2020/511⁴ appointing the members and alternate members of the Committee of the Regions for the period from 26 January 2020 to 25 January 2025. On 8 June 2020, following the withdrawal of the United Kingdom from the Union which became legally effective on 1 February 2020, the Council adopted Decision (EU) 2020/766⁵ appointing the members and alternate members of the Committee of the Regions for the period from 1 February 2020 to 25 January 2025. On 30 July 2020, the Council adopted Decision (EU) 2020/1153⁶ appointing members and alternate members of the Committee of the Regions.
4. On 17 December 2020, the Polish Government has proposed its candidate for its remaining alternate member's seat.⁷ This alternate member should be appointed for the remainder of the current term of office, which runs until 25 January 2025.

¹ 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).

² 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).

³ 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).

⁴ 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).

⁵ Council Decision (EU) 2020/766 of 8 June 2020 appointing the members and alternate members of the Committee of the Regions for the period from 1 February 2020 to 25 January 2025 (OJ L 187, 12.6.2020, p. 3).

⁶ Council Decision (EU) 2020/1153 of 30 July 2020 appointing members and alternate members of the Committee of the Regions (OJ L 256, 5.8.2020, p. 12).

⁷ 5875/21.

5. The Permanent Representatives Committee is therefore invited:

- a) to confirm its agreement on the text of the Decision appointing an alternate member of the Committee of the Regions, as set out in document 5611/21;
- b) 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.
