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#### 'I' ITEM NOTE

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

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Subject: Council Decision appointing an alternate member, proposed by the  
Portuguese Republic, of the Committee of the Regions  
- Adoption by silence procedure

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1. By letter of 15 January 2021, the Secretary-General of the Committee of the Regions notified the Council of the loss of mandate of Mr Rui BETTENCOURT, alternate member of the Committee of the Regions.<sup>1</sup>
2. 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 by the respective Member State.

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<sup>1</sup> 6698/21.

3. In accordance with that provision and for the purpose of his replacement, the Portuguese Government has proposed<sup>2</sup> Mr Pedro CHAVES DE FARIA E CASTRO, who is a representative of a regional body with political accountability to an elected assembly (*Subsecretário Regional da Presidência do Governo Regional dos Açores*), as an alternate member of the Committee of the Regions for the remainder of the current term of office, which runs until 25 January 2025.
4. In accordance with Article 12(2)b of the Council's Rules of Procedure, the Presidency invites the Permanent Representatives Committee to examine the text of the appointing Decision, as set out in document 7572/21, and suggests that the Council adopt the Decision by simplified written procedure ("silence procedure").

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<sup>2</sup> 7898/21.