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From:	General Secretariat of the Council
To:	Permanent Representatives Committee
Subject:	Draft Council Decision appointing the members and alternate members of the Committee of the Regions for the period from 26 January 2020 to 25 January 2025 - Adoption by silence procedure

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. On 10 December 2019, the Council adopted Decision (EU) 2019/2157¹ appointing the members and alternate members proposed by the Czech, Danish, Estonian, Cypriot, Latvian, Luxembourg, Dutch, Austrian, Romanian, Slovenian, Slovak and Swedish Governments, three members proposed by the Belgian Government, 21 members and 20 alternate members

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)

proposed by the German Government, 16 members and 16 alternate members proposed by the Spanish Government, 8 members and 8 alternate members proposed by the Irish Government, 10 members and 14 alternate members proposed by the Italian Government, 4 members and 4 alternate members proposed by the Maltese Government and 8 members and 8 alternate members proposed by the Finnish Government for the period from 26 January 2020 to 25 January 2025.

4. On 20 January 2020, the Council adopted Decision (EU) 2020/102². That Decision appointed, for the same period, from 26 January 2020 to 25 January 2025, the members and alternate members proposed by Greek, French, Croatian, Lithuanian, Hungarian and Portuguese Governments, as well as 4 members and 4 alternate members proposed by the Belgian Government, one member proposed by the Bulgarian Government, one member and one alternate member proposed by the Irish Government, one member and one alternate member proposed by the Spanish Government, 14 members and 10 alternate members proposed by the Italian Government and 21 members and 20 alternate members proposed by the Polish Government. Members and alternate members whose nominations had not been communicated to the Council before 20 December 2019 could not be included in Decision (EU) 2020/102.
5. It is now intended to appoint the remaining members and alternate members proposed by Finland and Spain. Those members and alternate members should be appointed for the period running from 26 January 2020 to 25 January 2025.
6. The Presidency invites the Permanent Representatives Committee to suggest that the Council adopt the Decision contained in doc. 5485/20, as finalised by legal-linguistic experts, by the simplified written procedure, as set out in Article 12(2)b of the Council's Rules of Procedure.

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).

7. That Decision will be published in the Official Journal of the European Union pursuant to the second subparagraph of Article 297(2) TFEU.
 8. This appointment will be followed at a later date by the appointment of the other members and alternate members, whose nominations have not been communicated to the Council by the Member States yet.
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