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To:	Ms Thérèse BLANCHET, Secretary-General of the Council of the European Union

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Subject:	Renewal of the European Economic and Social Committee for the period 2025-2030 - Letter from the Republic of Bulgaria
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Delegations will find attached a letter from Mr Rumen ALEXANDROV, Permanent Representative of the Republic of Bulgaria to the European Union, proposing a list of candidates to be appointed to the European Economic and Social Committee for the period 2025-2030.

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PERMANENT REPRESENTATION OF THE REPUBLIC OF BULGARIA TO THE EUROPEAN UNION  
REPRESENTATION PERMANENTE DE LA REPUBLIQUE DE BULGARIE AUPRES DE L'UNION EUROPEENNE

The Permanent Representative  
Le Représentant Permanent

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*Brussels, April 4, 2025*

**Subject:** Renewal of the members of the European Economic and Social Committee for the period 2020-2025

**DEAR MS. BLANCHET,**

With regard to the procedure for the appointment of new members of the European Economic and Social Committee for the period 2025-2030, please find enclosed the nominations for members of the Committee, approved by the Council of Ministers of the Republic of Bulgaria (Annex I in accordance with doc.14673/25) with Decision No. 208/25 from 2 April 2025.

Annex II, containing personal data of the candidates, will be sent only by email to [nominations@consilium.europa.eu](mailto:nominations@consilium.europa.eu).

I would be grateful if you could bring the information to the attention of the relevant Council services.

*Encl. Annex I, 3 pages*

Sincerely yours,

  
**RUMEN ALEXANDROV**  
AMBASSADOR

**TO**  
**MS THÉRÈSE BLANCHET**  
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## ANNEX I

### **Renewal of the European Economic and Social Committee for the period 2025-2030**

#### **Form to be submitted for the appointment of members and alternate members of the Committee of the Regions**

In the context of the procedure for the appointment of the new members of the European Economic and Social Committee for the period from 21 September 2025 to 20 September 2030, the **Bulgarian Government** proposes the following candidates /in alphabetical order by surname/:

1. Ms. Ina AGAFONOVA

**Post currently held:**

Chairperson of the Managing Board of the Via Pontica Foundation

**Suggested affiliation:**

- ☐ Group I (Employers)
- ☐ Group II (Workers)
- ☒ Group III (Civil Society Organisations)

2. Ms. Milena ANGELOVA

**Post currently held:**

Secretary-General of the Bulgarian Industrial Capital Association since 2002 and as SGI Europe Vice-President since 2011, Member of Employers' Group of the European Economic and Social Committee since 2007. Member of the Bulgarian Economic and Social Committee since 2006, and its Vice-President for 2025.

**Suggested affiliation:**

- ☒ Group I (Employers)
- ☐ Group II (Workers)
- ☐ Group III (Civil Society Organisations)

3. Mr. Ognyan ATANASOV

**Post currently held:**

Vice-President of the Confederation of Independent Trade Unions in Bulgaria (CITUB)

**Suggested affiliation:**

- ☐ Group I (Employers)
- ☒ Group II (Workers)
- ☐ Group III (Civil Society Organisations)

4. Mr. Plamen DIMITROV

**Post currently held:**

President of the Confederation of Independent Trade Unions in Bulgaria (CITUB)

**Suggested affiliation:**

- ☐ Group I (Employers)
- ☒ Group II (Workers)
- ☐ Group III (Civil Society Organisations)

5. Ms. Rumyana GEORGIEVA

**Post currently held:**

Parliamentary Secretary and Head of Sector Industrial Relations

Confederation of Employers and Industrialists of Bulgaria (CEIB/KRIB)

**Suggested affiliation:**

- ☒ Group I (Employers)
- ☐ Group II (Workers)
- ☐ Group III (Civil Society Organisations)

6. Mr. Dimitar MANOLOV

**Post currently held:**

President of the Confederation of Labor PODKREPA

**Suggested affiliation:**

- ☐ Group I (Employers)
- ☒ Group II (Workers)
- ☐ Group III (Civil Society Organisations)

7. Ms. Mariya MINCHEVA

**Post currently held:**

Vice-President of Bulgarian industrial association (BIA) – Union of the Bulgarian business.

**Suggested affiliation:**

- ☒ Group I (Employers)
- ☐ Group II (Workers)
- ☐ Group III (Civil Society Organisations)

8. Mr. Veselin MITOV

**Post currently held:**

International Secretary of the Confederation of Labor PODKREPA

**Suggested affiliation:**

- ☐ Group I (Employers)
- ☒ Group II (Workers)
- ☐ Group III (Civil Society Organisations)

9. Mr. Bogomil NIKOLOV

**Post currently held:**

Executive Director of Bulgarian National Association Active Consumers

**Suggested affiliation:**

- ☐ Group I (Employers)
- ☐ Group II (Workers)
- ☒ Group III (Civil Society Organisations)

10. Ms. Monika PANAYOTOVA

**Post currently held:**

Member of the EU Club at the BCCI, Assistant Professor at the Department of International relations; Faculty of International Economic Relations, UNWE

Bulgarian Chamber of Commerce and Industry (BCCI)

**Suggested affiliation:**

- ☒ Group I (Employers)
- ☐ Group II (Workers)
- ☐ Group III (Civil Society Organisations)

11. Mrs. Zornitsa ROUSINOVA

**Post currently held:**

President of the Economic and Social Council of the Republic of Bulgaria

**Suggested affiliation:**

- ☐ Group I (Employers)
- ☐ Group II (Workers)
- ☒ Group III (Civil Society Organisations)

12. Mr. Stoyan TCHOUKANOV

**Post currently held:**

- Member of EESC and nominated for President of NAT section for the period 2025-2030
- President of Beef Breeders Association of Bulgaria
- Board member, Bulgarian Agri - Food Chamber
- Board member, United Bulgarian Livestock Farmers (Member of European Federation of Animal Science- EAAR)

**Suggested affiliation:**

- ☐ Group I (Employers)
- ☐ Group II (Workers)
- ☒ Group III (Civil Society Organisations)