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Delegations will find attached a letter from Ms Lelde LĪCE-LĪCĪTE, Permanent Representative of the Republic of Latvia 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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Brussels, 30 May 2025

Subject: Renewal of the European Economic and Social Committee for the period 2025-2030

Dear Secretary-General,

Please find attached the nomination of representatives of Latvia to the European Economic and Social Committee for the period 2025-2030 together with the required information about the candidates.

Yours sincerely,

Lelde Līce-Līcīte
Permanent Representative of the
Republic of Latvia to the European Union

ANNEX I

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

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 Latvia Government** proposes the following candidates /in alphabetical order by surname/:

Suggested affiliation:

Group I (Employers)

Mr Rihards BLESE

Post currently held: Advisor on national policy making and legislation at the Employers' Confederation of Latvia (LDDK)

Ms Katrīna ZARIŅA

Post currently held: Board Member and Head of Foreign Affairs at the Latvian Chamber of Commerce and Industry (LCCI)

Group II (Workers)

Mr Egils BALDZĒNS

Post currently held: President of the Free Trade Union Confederation of Latvia

Ms Linda ROMELE

Post currently held: Policy Officer on Education, Employment and Social Protection, Free Trade Union Confederation of Latvia (LBAS)

Group III (Civil Society Organisations)

Mr Andris GOBIŅŠ

Post currently held: President of the European Movement in Latvia

Mr Guntis GŪTMANIS

Post currently held: Chairman of the Board of Latvian Agricultural Organization Cooperation Council

Ms Katrīna LEITĀNE

Post currently held: Advocacy expert at the National Youth Council of Latvia

Ms Baiba MILTOVIČA

Post currently held: Board Member of the Latvian National Association for Consumer Protection (LPIAA)

Ms Baiba MILTOVIČA and Mr Guntis GŪTMANIS are both nominated for the same position at the European Economic and Social Committee and will be serving on rotational basis.