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From:	General Secretariat of the Council
To:	Permanent Representatives Committee/Council
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Subject:	Council Decision appointing the chairperson of a Board of Appeal of the European Union Intellectual Property Office - Adoption

1. The chairpersons of the Boards of Appeal of the European Union Intellectual Property Office (EUIPO) are appointed, pursuant to Article 166(1) of the Regulation (EU) 2017/1001 on the European Union trade mark ("EU trade mark Regulation"), by the Council for a term of five years on the basis of the same arrangements as provided for in Article 158(2) of the EU trade mark Regulation for the appointment of the EUIPO Executive Director.
2. According to these provisions, the Council takes the decision on the considered appointment by simple majority, from a list of candidates proposed by the EUIPO Management Board, after the European Parliament had the opportunity to invite the short-listed candidates to make a statement before any competent European Parliament committee and to answer questions put by its members.
3. On 5 June 2025, the Council received from the EUIPO Management Board a list of three candidates for the post of chairperson of a Board of Appeal of the EUIPO (doc. 9758/25).
4. The European Parliament's Committee on Legal Affairs (JURI) heard the candidates on 24 June 2025 (see letter of 26 June 2025 in doc. 10647/25).

5. At its meeting on 2 July 2025, the Permanent Representatives Committee decided to recommend to the Council to appoint Ms Cinzia NEGRO to the post of chairperson of a Board of Appeal of the EUIPO.
 6. The Permanent Representatives Committee is therefore invited to recommend to the Council to adopt, under the ‘A’ items of one of its future meetings, the Decision prepared by the Council’s legal linguistic experts and contained in document 10655/25.
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