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'I/A' ITEM NOTE

From:	General Secretariat of the Council
To:	Permanent Representatives Committee/Council
Subject:	Council Decision appointing five members and six alternate members, proposed by the Repubic of Poland, of the Committee of the Regions - Adoption

1. By Council Decision (EU) 2023/581 of 13 March 2023¹, the Council appointed Mr Joachim Michał SMYŁA as a member of the Committee of the Regions for a term running until 30 April 2024. By letter of 27 October 2023², the Secretary-General of the Committee of the Regions notified the Council of the resignation of Mr Gustaw Marek BRZEZIN, member of the Committee of the Regions. By letters of 20 November 2023³, 16 January 2024⁴ and 27 May 2024⁵, the Secretary-General of the Committee of the Regions notified the Council of the end of the mandates on the basis of which, respectively, Mr Józef JODŁOWSKI, Mr Mariusz Rafał FRANKOWSKI, and Mr Robert KOŚCIUK, members of the Committee of the Regions, were proposed for appointment and appointed.

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Council Decision (EU) 2023/581 of 13 March 2023 appointing a member and three alternate members, proposed by the Republic of Poland, of the Committee of the Regions (OJ L 76, 15.3.2023, p. 5, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/dec/2023/581/oj).

² 14940/23.

³ 15777/23.

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- 2. By Council Decision (EU) 2023/581 of 13 March 2023⁶, the Council appointed Mr Marcin Artur JABŁOŃSKI, Mr Andrzej Antoni PŁONKA, and Ms Lucyna Teresa SOKOŁOWSKA as alternate members of the Committee of the Regions for a term running until 30 April 2024. By letters of 14 November 2023⁷ and 31 May 2024⁸, the Secretary-General of the Committee of the Regions notified the Council of the end of the mandates on the basis of which, respectively, Mr Sebastian ŁUKASZEWICZ, and Mr Adam BANASZAK, alternate members of the Committee of the Regions, were proposed for appointment and appointed.
- 3. 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 States.
- 4. In accordance with that provision and for the purpose of the replacement of Mr Joachim Michał SMYŁA, the Polish Government has proposed⁹ to reappoint Mr Joachim Michał SMYŁA, representative of a local body who holds a local authority electoral mandate, *Radny Powiatu Lublinieckiego* (Councillor of Lubliniec County), as a member of the Committee of the Regions for the remainder of the current term of office, which runs until 25 January 2025.

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^{7 15500/23.}

^{8 10639/24.}

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- 5. In addition and for the purpose of the replacement of Mr Gustaw Marek BRZEZIN, Mr Mariusz Rafał FRANKOWSKI, Mr Józef JODŁOWSKI, and Mr Robert KOŚCIUK, the Polish Government has proposed the following representatives of regional or local bodies who hold a regional or local authority electoral mandate: Mr Adam BANASZAK, on the basis of a different national mandate, *Radny Powiatu Inowrocławskiego* (Councillor of Inowrocław County), Mr Piotr Franciszek CAŁBECKI, *Radny Województwa Kujawsko-Pomorskiego* (Councillor of the Kujawsko-Pomorskie Voivodeship), Ms Ewa JANCZAR, *Radna Miasta Stolecznego Warszawy* (Councillor of the Capital City of Warsaw), and Mr Andrzej Antoni PŁONKA, *Radny Powiatu Bielskiego* (Councillor of the Bielsko-Biala County), as members of the Committee of the Regions for the remainder of the current term of office, which runs until 25 January 2025. Following the appointment of Mr Piotr Franciszek CAŁBECKI as a member, an additional seat of alternate member will become vacant.
- 6. For the purpose of the replacement of Mr Piotr Franciszek CAŁBECKI, the Polish Government has proposed¹⁰ Mr Marcin KUCHCIŃSKI, representative of a local body who holds a local authority electoral mandate, *Radny Województwa Warmińsko-Mazurskiego* (Councillor of the Warmińsko-Mazurskie Voivodeship), 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.

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- 7. Moreover and for the purpose of filling the posts left vacant by Mr Marcin Artur JABŁOŃSKI and Ms Lucyna Teresa SOKOŁOWSKA, the Polish Government has proposed¹¹ to reappoint the following representatives of regional or local bodies who hold a regional or local authority electoral mandate: Mr Marcin Artur JABŁOŃSKI, *Członek Zarządu Województwa Lubuskiego* (Member of the Management Board of the Lubuskie Voivodship), and Ms Lucyna Teresa SOKOŁOWSKA, *Radna Powiatu Rzeszowskiego* (Councillor of the Rzeszów County), as alternate members of the Committee of the Regions for the remainder of the current term of office, which runs until 25 January 2025.
- 8. Finally and for the purpose of the replacement of Mr Adam BANASZAK, Mr Sebastian ŁUKASZEWICZ, and Mr Andrzej Antoni PŁONKA, the Polish Government has proposed¹¹ the following representatives of regional or local bodies who hold a regional or local authority electoral mandate: Mr Grzegorz CICHY, *Burmistrz Gminy i Miasta Proszowice* (Mayor of the Commune and City of Proszowice), Ms Janina Ewa ORZEŁOWSKA, *Radna Województwa Mazowieckiego* (Councillor of the Mazowieckie Voivodeship), and Mr Rafał Henryk RUDKA, *Radny Powiatu Bocheńskiego* (Councillor of the Bochnia District), as alternate members of the Committee of the Regions for the remainder of the current term of office, which runs until 25 January 2025.
- 9. In view of the above, the <u>Permanent Representatives Committee</u> is therefore invited to confirm its agreement on the text of the Decision set out in document 14555/24 and to suggest that the Council adopt that Decision as an 'A' item at a forthcoming meeting.

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