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'I/A' ITEM NOTE

From:	General Secretariat of the Council
To:	Permanent Representatives Committee/Council
Subject:	Council Decision appointing a member, proposed by the Federal Republic of Germany, of the Committee of the Regions
	- Adoption

1. By letter of 8 May 2026¹, the Secretary-General of the Committee of the Regions notified the Council of the end of the national mandate on the basis of which Mr Volker-Gerd WESTPHAL, member of the Committee of the Regions, was proposed for appointment and appointed.
2. Under Article 305 TFEU, the Council, acting by a qualified majority on proposals by the respective Member States, appoints members and alternate members of the Committee of the Regions.

¹ 8698/26.

3. In accordance with that provision and for the purpose of the replacement of Mr Volker-Gerd WESTPHAL, the German Government has proposed² Mr Markus NIGGEMANN, representative of a regional body who is politically accountable to an elected assembly, *Staatssekretär im Ministerium für Wirtschaft, Energie, Klimaschutz und Europa des Landes Brandenburg* (State Secretary in the Ministry for Economic Affairs, Energy, Climate Action and European Affairs of the State of Brandenburg), as a member of the Committee of the Regions for the remainder of the current term of office, which runs until 25 January 2030.
4. The Permanent Representatives Committee is therefore invited to confirm its agreement on the text of the Decision, as set out in document 12161/26, and to suggest that the Council adopt that Decision as an 'A' item at a forthcoming meeting.

² 11808/26.