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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 and an alternate member,
proposed by the Republic of Estonia, of the Committee of the Regions
- Adoption

1. By letter of 2 February 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 Ms Marika SAAR, 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 5971/26.

3. In accordance with that provision and for the purpose of the replacement of Ms Marika SAAR, the Estonian Government has proposed² Mr Andres JAADLA, representative of a local body who holds a local authority electoral mandate, *Rakvere Linnavolikogu liige* (member of Rakvere City Council), 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. Mr Andres JAADLA is currently an alternate member of the Committee of the Regions. Consequently, following his appointment as a member, a seat of alternate member of the Committee of the Regions will also become vacant as from 28 September 2026.
5. For the purpose of filling the post that will be left vacant by Mr Andres JAADLA, the Estonian Government has proposed² Ms Annika VAIKLA, representative of a local body who is politically accountable to an elected assembly, *Viimsi Vallavalitsuse liige* (member of Viimsi Rural Municipality Government), as an alternate member of the Committee of the Regions for the period from 28 September 2026 and for the remainder of the current term of office, which runs until 25 January 2030.
6. The Permanent Representatives Committee is therefore invited to confirm its agreement on the text of the Decision, as set out in document 12218/26, and to suggest that the Council adopt that Decision as an 'A' item at a forthcoming meeting.

² 12253/26.