COUNCIL DECISION (EU) 2023/704

of 28 March 2023

appointing a member and an alternate member, proposed by the Kingdom of Belgium, of the Committee of the Regions

THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN UNION,

Having regard to the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union, and in particular Article 305 thereof,

Having regard to Council Decision (EU) 2019/852 of 21 May 2019 determining the composition of the Committee of the Regions ([1]),

Having regard to the proposals of the Belgian Government,

Whereas:

(1) Pursuant to Article 300(3) of the Treaty, the Committee of the Regions is to consist of representatives of regional and local bodies who either hold a regional or local authority electoral mandate or are politically accountable to an elected assembly.

(2) On 20 January 2020, the Council adopted Decision (EU) 2020/102 ([2]), appointing the members and alternate members of the Committee of the Regions for the period from 26 January 2020 to 25 January 2025. On 26 March 2020, the Council adopted Decision (EU) 2020/511 ([3]), appointing the members and alternate members of the Committee of the Regions for the period from 26 January 2020 to 25 January 2025.

(3) A member's seat on the Committee of the Regions has become vacant following the resignation of Mr Pierre-Yves JEHOLET.

(4) An alternate member's seat will become vacant following the appointment of Ms Annabel TAVERNIER as a member of the Committee of the Regions.

(5) The Belgian Government has proposed Ms Annabel TAVERNIER, representative of a regional body who holds a regional authority electoral mandate, *Vlaams Parlementslid* (Member of the Flemish Parliament), as a member of the Committee of the Regions for the remainder of the current term of office, which runs until 25 January 2025.

(6) The Belgian Government has proposed Mr Jeroen TIEBOUT, representative of a regional body who holds a regional authority electoral mandate, *Vlaams Parlementslid* (Member of the Flemish Parliament), 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,

([1]) OJ L 139, 27.5.2019, p. 13.

([2]) Council Decision (EU) 2020/102 of 20 January 2020 appointing the members and alternate members of the Committee of the Regions for the period from 26 January 2020 to 25 January 2025 (OJ L 20, 24.1.2020, p. 2).

([3]) Council Decision (EU) 2020/511 of 26 March 2020 appointing the members and alternate members of the Committee of the Regions for the period from 26 January 2020 to 25 January 2025 (OJ L 113, 8.4.2020, p. 18).

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

Article 1

The following representatives of regional bodies who hold an electoral mandate are hereby appointed to the Committee of the Regions for the remainder of the current term of office, which runs until 25 January 2025:

(a) as a member:

— Ms Annabel TAVERNIER, *Vlaams Parlementslid* (Member of the Flemish Parliament),

and

(b) as an alternate member:

— Mr Jeroen TIEBOUT, *Vlaams Parlementslid* (Member of the Flemish Parliament).

Article 2

This Decision shall enter into force on the date of its adoption.

Done at Brussels, 28 March 2023.

For the Council
The President
E. BUSCH