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COUNCIL DECISION (EU) 2024/2874

of 5 November 2024

appointing a member and an alternate member, proposed by the Republic of Finland, 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 proposal of the Finnish 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 3 February 2020, the Council adopted Decision (EU) 2020/144 ([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 15 May 2023, the Council adopted Decision (EU) 2023/982 ([3]) appointing an alternate member, proposed by the Republic of Finland, of the Committee of the Regions.

(3) A member's seat on the Committee of the Regions has become vacant following the end of the national mandate on the basis of which Mr Bert HÄGGBLOM was proposed for appointment.

(4) An alternate member's seat on the Committee of the Regions has become vacant following the end of the national mandate on the basis of which Mr Jesper JOSEFSSON was proposed for appointment.

(5) The Finnish Government has proposed Mr Anders EKSTRÖM, representative of a regional body who holds a regional authority electoral mandate, *Lagtingsledamot, Ålands lagting* (Member of Parliament, Parliament of Åland), 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 Finnish Government has proposed Mr Marcus MÅTAR, representative of a regional body who holds a regional authority electoral mandate, *Lagtingsledamot, Ålands lagting* (Member of Parliament, Parliament of Åland), 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,

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:

— Mr Anders EKSTRÖM, *Lagtingsledamot, Ålands lagting* (Member of Parliament, Parliament of Åland),

and

(b) as an alternate member:

— Mr Marcus MÅTAR, *Lagtingsledamot, Ålands lagting* (Member of Parliament, Parliament of Åland).

([1]) OJ L 139, 27.5.2019, p. 13, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/dec/2019/852/oj.
([2]) Council Decision (EU) 2020/144 of 3 February 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 32, 4.2.2020, p. 16, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/dec/2020/144/oj).
([3]) Council Decision (EU) 2023/982 of 15 May 2023 appointing an alternate member, proposed by the Republic of Finland, of the Committee of the Regions (OJ L 134, 22.5.2023, p. 39, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/dec/2023/982/oj).

Article 2

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

Done at Brussels, 5 November 2024.

For the Council
The President
VARGA M.