

DECISIONS

COUNCIL DECISION (EU) 2022/285

of 22 February 2022

appointing two members and an alternate member, proposed by the Republic of Malta, 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 Maltese 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 10 December 2019, the Council adopted Decision (EU) 2019/2157 ⁽²⁾, appointing the members and alternate members of the Committee of the Regions for the period from 26 January 2020 to 25 January 2025.
- (3) Two members' seats on the Committee of the Regions have become vacant following the end of the national mandates on the basis of which Mr Joseph CORDINA and Mr Paul FARRUGIA were proposed for appointment.
- (4) An alternate member's seat on the Committee of the Regions had been vacant since 26 January 2020.
- (5) The Maltese Government has proposed the following representatives of regional or local bodies who hold a regional or local electoral mandate as members of the Committee of the Regions for the remainder of the current term of office, which runs until 25 January 2025: Mr Paul FARRUGIA, *Reġjun Port – President* (Port Region – President), and Mr Mark GRECH, *Kunsill Lokali Haż-Żabbar – Kunsillier Lokali* (Żabbar Local Council – Local Councillor).
- (6) The Maltese Government has also proposed Mr Stephen SULTANA, representative of a local body who holds a local authority electoral mandate, *Kunsill Lokali Santa Venera – Sindku* (Santa Venera Local Council – Mayor), 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, in relation to the vacant seat referred to above,

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 139, 27.5.2019, p. 13.

⁽²⁾ Council Decision (EU) 2019/2157 of 10 December 2019 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 327, 17.12.2019, p. 78).

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

Article 1

The following representatives of regional or local 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 members:

- Mr Paul FARRUGIA, *Regjun Port – President* (Port Region – President) (change of mandate),
- Mr Mark GRECH, *Kunsill Lokali Haż-Żabbar – Kunsillier Lokali* (Żabbar Local Council – Local Councillor),

and

(b) as an alternate member:

- Mr Stephen SULTANA, *Kunsill Lokali Santa Venera – Sindku* (Santa Venera Local Council – Mayor).

Article 2

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

Done at Brussels, 22 February 2022.

For the Council
The President
C. BEAUNE
