COUNCIL DECISION (EU) 2019/427

of 12 March 2019

appointing a member and an alternate member, proposed by the United Kingdom, 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 the proposal of the United Kingdom Government,

Whereas:

(1) On 26 January 2015, 5 February 2015 and 23 June 2015, the Council adopted Decisions (EU) 2015/116 ([1]), (EU) 2015/190 ([2]) and (EU) 2015/994 ([3]) appointing the members and alternate members of the Committee of the Regions for the period from 26 January 2015 to 25 January 2020.

(2) A member's seat on the Committee of the Regions has become vacant following the passing away of Mr Paul WATSON.

(3) An alternate member's seat on the Committee of the Regions has become vacant following the end of the term of office of Ms Suzanne Ellen GROCOTT,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

Article 1

The following are hereby appointed to the Committee of the Regions for the remainder of the current term of office, which runs until 25 January 2020 or until the date of withdrawal of the UK from the EU, whichever date comes first:

(a) as a member:

— Mr Simon BLACKBURN, *Councillor, Blackpool Council*,

and

(b) as an alternate member:

— Ms Joanne LABAN, *Councillor, Enfield Council*.

Article 2

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

Done at Brussels, 12 March 2019.

For the Council
The President
E.O. TEODOROVICI

([1]) Council Decision (EU) 2015/116 of 26 January 2015 appointing the members and alternate members of the Committee of the Regions for the period from 26 January 2015 to 25 January 2020 (OJ L 20, 27.1.2015, p. 42).
([2]) Council Decision (EU) 2015/190 of 5 February 2015 appointing the members and alternate members of the Committee of the Regions for the period from 26 January 2015 to 25 January 2020 (OJ L 31, 7.2.2015, p. 25).
([3]) Council Decision (EU) 2015/994 of 23 June 2015 appointing the members and alternate members of the Committee of the Regions for the period from 26 January 2015 to 25 January 2020 (OJ L 159, 25.6.2015, p. 70).