

**COUNCIL DECISION**  
**of 18 February 2003**  
**appointing a member of the Committee of the Regions**

(2003/144/EC)

THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN UNION,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community, and in particular Article 263 thereof,

Having regard to the proposal from the Portuguese Government,

Whereas:

- (1) On 22 January 2002 the Council adopted Decision 2002/60/EC <sup>(1)</sup> appointing the members and alternate members of the Committee of the Regions.
- (2) The seat of a member of the Committee of the Regions has become vacant following the resignation of Mr Isaltino MORAIS, of which the Council was notified on 28 January 2003,

HAS DECIDED AS FOLLOWS:

*Sole Article*

Mr António Paulino SILVA PAIVA is hereby appointed a member of the Committee of the Regions in place of Mr Isaltino MORAIS for the remainder of his term of office, which expires on 25 January 2006.

Done at Brussels, 18 February 2003.

*For the Council*  
*The President*  
N. CHRISTODOULAKIS

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<sup>(1)</sup> OJ L 24, 26.1.2002, p. 38.