

**COUNCIL DECISION**  
**of 8 July 2008**  
**appointing a Latvian member and a Latvian alternate member of the Committee of the Regions**  
(2008/573/EC)

THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN UNION,

(a) as a member:

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

— Ms Indra RASSA, Chairwoman of Saldus District Municipality and Chairwoman of Nīgrandes Local Municipality,

Having regard to the proposal from the Latvian Government,

and

Whereas:

(b) as an alternate member:

(1) On 24 January 2006 the Council adopted Decision 2006/116/EC appointing the members and alternate members of the Committee of the Regions for the period from 26 January 2006 to 25 January 2010 <sup>(1)</sup>.

— Mr Janis RAŠČEVSKIS, Chairman of Jēkabpils District Municipality and Chairman of Saukas Local Municipality.

(2) A seat of a member has become vacant following the expiry of the mandate of Mr Edgars ZALĀNS. A seat of an alternate member becomes vacant following the appointment of Ms Indra RASSA as a member of the Committee of the Regions,

*Article 2*

This Decision shall take effect on the day of its adoption.

HAS DECIDED AS FOLLOWS:

Done at Brussels, 8 July 2008.

*Article 1*

The following persons are hereby appointed to the Committee of the Regions for the remainder of the term of office, which runs until 25 January 2010:

*For the Council*  
*The President*  
C. LAGARDE

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<sup>(1)</sup> OJ L 56, 25.2.2006, p. 75.