

**COUNCIL DECISION (EU) 2020/1468**  
**taken by common accord with the President of the Commission**  
**of 12 October 2020**  
**appointing a Member of the European Commission**

THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN UNION,

Having regard to the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union, and in particular the second paragraph of Article 246 thereof,

Having regard to the opinion of the European Parliament <sup>(1)</sup>,

Whereas:

- (1) On 28 November 2019, the European Council adopted Decision (EU) 2019/1989 <sup>(2)</sup> appointing the European Commission for the period until 31 October 2024.
- (2) In a letter dated 27 August 2020, Ms Ursula VON DER LEYEN, President of the Commission, informed the Council that Mr Phil HOGAN had resigned from his post as a Member of the Commission.
- (3) In accordance with the second paragraph of Article 246 of the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union, a vacancy caused by resignation is to be filled for the remainder of the Member's term of office by a new Member of the same nationality.
- (4) A new Member of the Commission should therefore be appointed,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

*Article 1*

By common accord with Ms Ursula VON DER LEYEN, President of the Commission, the Council appoints Ms Mairead MCGUINNESS as Member of the Commission for the remainder of the term of office, which runs until 31 October 2024.

*Article 2*

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

Done at Luxembourg, 12 October 2020.

*For the Council*  
*The President*  
J. BORRELL FONTELLES

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<sup>(1)</sup> Opinion of 7 October 2020 (not yet published in the Official Journal).

<sup>(2)</sup> European Council Decision (EU) 2019/1989 of 28 November 2019 appointing the European Commission (OJ L 308, 29.11.2019, p. 100).