

## Committee of the Regions

Mr A Maginness asked the Office of the First Minister and deputy First Minister to detail the attendance level of each Northern Ireland member of the Committee of the Regions of the European Union at both Plenary and other Commission meetings, since their appointments.

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Rt Hon I Paisley and Mr M McGuinness: The table below details the attendance level of Northern Ireland members of the Committee of the Regions (CoR) since the Committee's current mandate began on 16 February 2006.

CoR member	Type of Membership	CoR Commission	Plenary Sessions		Commission Meetings	
			Number Attended	Number open to each Member*	Number Attended	Total Number
Minister Edwin Poots, MLA	Full Member	Sustainable Development	5	11	4	11
Minister Conor Murphy, MP, MLA**	Full Member	Territorial Cohesion	1	11	0	11
Cllr Lord Maurice Morrow MLA	Alternate Member	Economic and Social Policy	1	6	1	11
Cllr Bernice Swift	Alternate Member	Education and Culture	0	10	0	10

\* Alternates, may only attend a CoR Plenary session if their full member is not attending.

\*\* Minister Murphy resigned with effect from 13 March 2008 and a replacement nominee has been identified to replace him on the Committee and this process is underway.