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MOTION FOR A RESOLUTION

tabled by Mrs THEOBALD-PAOLI

pursuant to Rule 47 of the Rules of Procedure

on the extradition from Syria of Alois BRUNNER,
a Nazi war criminal

The European Parliament,

- A whereas it is the manifestation of the popular will of 270 million Europeans,
- B whereas, according to reliable information, the war criminal , Alois BRUNNER, who was one of Adolf EICHMANN's main collaborators in Vienna and Berlin and then responsible in Thessalonica, France and Central Europe for the extermination of at least 46,000 Greeks, 24,000 French Jews and 13,500 inhabitants of Slovakia, has been located in Syria where he is living under the pseudonym of Georg FISCHER or FEUSCOEUR,
- C having regard to the international arrest warrants issued against Alois BRUNNER by three Member States (France, the Federal Republic of Germany, Greece) and by two other European states (German Democratic Republic and Czechoslovakia),
- D having regard to the death sentence in absentia pronounced against Alois BRUNNER by the competent French courts on 3 May 1954,
- E whereas the Syrian authorities have turned away the representatives of a French organization of the children of the victims of Nazism who went to provide proof of Alois BRUNNER's presence in Syria,
- F having regard to Article 230 of the EEC Treaty
1. Calls on the Syrian authorities to take all preventive measures necessary to prevent Alois BRUNNER from leaving Syrian territory,
 2. Calls upon them to receive any delegation coming to conduct an enquiry on the war criminal,
 3. Calls on the Governments of the Member States concerned to take steps as soon as possible to have Alois BRUNNER extradited to one of them,
 4. Reminds the Government of the Arab Republic of Syria that it will consider future relations between the European Community and Syria in the light of the outcome of this resolution,
 5. Instructs its President to forward this resolution to the Secretary-General of the United Nations, the Governments of the Member States, the Commission, the Council, the Foreign Ministers meeting in political cooperation, the Government of the Arab Republic of Syria, the Governments of the German Democratic Republic and Czechoslovakia, and the Assembly of the Council of Europe. PE 79.707