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with debate pursuant to Rule 47 of the Rules of Procedure  
by the Committee on development and cooperation  
to the Commission of the European Communities

Subject: Massacres in the Central African Empire

Following the publication by Amnesty International of  
information concerning serious violations of basic  
human rights in the Central African Empire, an  
African committee of enquiry has recently made public  
a report on the matter.

According to this report, the people of the Central  
African Empire suffered gross violations of their  
human rights.

What conclusions has the Commission drawn from this,  
particularly as regards:

- the insertion in the new ACP-EEC Convention of a  
reference to respect for human rights;
- the implementation of cooperation schemes under the  
Convention of Lomé and the convention which will  
replace it?