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MOTION FOR A RESOLUTION

tabled by

Miss FLESCHE, on behalf of the Committee on Development  
and Cooperation

with request for debate by urgent procedure

pursuant to rule 14 of the Rules of Procedure

on Community participation in the International Fund for  
Agricultural Development (IFAD).

The European Parliament,

- recalling its resolution of 14 November 1975 on the outcome of the World Food Conference and on the Community's position as regards a world food policy<sup>1</sup>,
- 1. notes with amazement that although it has been discussing this question since 13 October 1975, the Council of the European Communities is still not able to adopt a position on Community participation in the International Fund for Agricultural Development (IFAD);
- 2. condemns the lack of political resolve on the part of the Council and the Member States which conveys the impression that they are ignoring the serious and urgent problem of increasing food production in the developing countries;
- 3. points out that the United States and the OPEC countries have already committed themselves to participation in IFAD and fears that the attitude of the Community and the Member States might have serious economic and political consequences, particularly in the context of the North-South Conference;
- 4. consequently invites the Community and its Member States to take as soon as possible, but not later than the month of May, a positive decision so that the Community does not exclude itself permanently from IFAD;
- 5. instructs its President to forward this resolution to the Council and Commission of the European Communities and to the United Nations Food and Agriculture Organization and the World Food Council.

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<sup>1</sup>O.J. No. C 280 of 8.12.1975, p.65

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