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MOTION FOR A RESOLUTION

tabled by Mr ARFE, Mr HUME, Mrs VIEHOFF, Mr SCHWENCKE, Mrs PERY,
Mrs BUCHAN, Mrs CLWYD, Mrs VAN HEMELDONCK, Mr van MINNEN,
Mr KEY, Mr COHEN, Mr CARIGLIA, Mr PATTISON, Mr ABENS
and Mr GATTO, on behalf of the Socialist Group

Mr DALSASS, Mr HABSBURG, Mr HAHN, Mrs GAIOTTI DE BIASE, Mr O'DONNELL, Mr BEUMER and Mr TOLMAN

Mr PAPAPIETRO

Mr LALOR, Mrs EWING and Mr CRONIN

and Mr VANDEMEULEBROUCKE

with request for an early vote, pursuant to Rule 42(5) of the Rules of Procedure

to wind up the debate on the oral question no. 1-1136/82

on measures in favour of minority languages and cultures

PE 83.177 Or. En.

'The European Parliament,

- A. considering that some 30 million Community citizens have as their mother tongue a regional language or a little-spoken language,
- B. aware of the resurgence of special movements by ethnic and linguistic minorities aimed at bringing about a deeper understanding and recognition of their historical identity,
- C. having regard to its own resolution of 16 October 1981 on the subject,
- 1. Calls on the Commission:
 - to continue and intensify its efforts in this area, particularly in relation to establishing pilot projects and studies,
 - to review all Community and national legislation and practices which discriminate against minority languages, and prepare appropriate
 Community instruments for ending such discrimination,
 - to report to Parliament by the end of 1983 on the outcome of the two points above.
- Calls on the Council to ensure that the principles of Parliament's resolution are respected in practice;
- 3. Believes that Parliament should continue to monitor progress in this area at Community level, and that the appropriate parliamentary committees should hold a joint meeting to consider how best this should be done;
- 4. Instructs its President to forward this resolution to the Commission, Council, Council of Europe and the Governments of the Member States.'