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MOTION FOR A RESOLUTION

tabled by Mr NORDMANN

on behalf of the Liberal and Democratic Group

with request for topical and urgent debate

pursuant to Rule 48 of the Rules of Procedure

on the situation of Anatoly Shcharansky

The European Parliament:

- A. profoundly concerned by the reports of the deteriorating health of Anatoly Shcharansky,
- B. recalling that Shcharansky has been on hunger strike since September 1982 in protest at the Soviet Government's ban on emigration to Israel, in opposition to his repeated demands,
- C. recalling that the Soviet regime's response has been to imprison him after a trial held in camera without any provision for his defence,
- D. appalled by the cruel treatment of Shcharansky and in particular by the force-feeding he is subjected to every three days,
 - 1. Severely condemns the Soviet regime for being guilty of such intolerable violations of human rights;
 - 2. Calls on the Council to lodge a protest with the Soviet Government against such practices and to encourage the repatriation of Anatoly Shcharansky to Israel;
 - 3. Instructs its President to forward this resolution to the Council, to the Ministers for Foreign Affairs meeting in political cooperation and to the national governments and parliaments.