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MOTION FOR A RESOLUTION

tabled by Lord BETHELL, Mr MOORHOUSE, Mr HORD, Mr TYRRELL,
Dame Shelagh ROBERTS, Sir Brandon RHYS WILLIAMS,
MARSHALL and Sir David NICOLSON

pursuant to Rule 47 of the Rules of Procedure

on the regeneration of certain inner areas of London

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The European Parliament,

- A. reaffirming its commitment to the idea of economic convergence between the Community's rich and poor areas,
 - B. conscious of the fact that the problem of poverty in the Community involves not only its rural areas, but also industrial decay and economic stagnation in the inner cities,
 - C. recognising the important contribution made by the Commission towards the alleviation of urban decay and poverty in the cities of the United Kingdom that fall within the designated Regional Development Areas,
 - D. concerned, however, by the fact that such funds are not available for certain inner areas of London, where industrial decline and long-term unemployment are catastrophic, since London does not fall within a Regional Development Area,
 - E. recognising that in certain parts of London there is tension among some ethnic communities, especially those who suffer most acutely from long-term unemployment,
1. Invites the Commission urgently to review its present guidelines, according to which aid from the Regional and Social funds is seldom available to the London area;
 2. Invites the Commission, having established new guidelines, to embark upon an imaginative scheme that will contribute to the regeneration of industrially depressed sections of the London area;
 3. Instructs its President to forward this resolution to the EEC Commission and Council of Ministers.