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MOTION FOR A RESOLUTION

tabled by Lord BETHELL, Mr COLLINS, Miss HOOPER, Mr KEY
and Mr FERGUSON

pursuant to Rule 47 of the Rules of Procedure

on the opening of the Spain-Gibraltar frontier

PE 79.906

The European Parliament,

- A. deeply regretting the fact that the opening of the land frontier between Spain and Gibraltar, envisaged by the Lisbon agreement of April 1980 and scheduled to happen on June 25th, 1982, did not in fact take place as expected,
- B. recalling that the opening of the Spain-Gibraltar frontier has already, even before this recent development, been twice scheduled and twice postponed,
- C. sharing the hope and conviction of the EEC Commission that the Spanish blockade of Gibraltar will be lifted before Spain becomes a member of the Community, so that conditions can be created for the harmonious development of relations within the enlarged Community,
- D. reaffirming its support for the Lisbon agreement on Gibraltar, under which the Spain-Gibraltar frontier would be opened without preconditions and without limitation on the aspects of the Gibraltar question to be discussed between Spain and the United Kingdom,
- E. emphasising its belief in the desirability of Spanish accession to the European Community as soon as possible,
 - 1. Requests the Spanish and British governments to set a new and early date for the opening of the Spain-Gibraltar frontier and to open the frontier on that date;
 - 2. Instructs its President to forward this resolution to the Commission, the Council, the Spanish government, the government of Gibraltar, the British government and the governments of the other Member States.