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MOTION FOR A RESOLUTION

tabled by Mr JAQUET and Mr HANSCH,
on behalf of the Socialist Group

with request for urgent and topical debate
pursuant to Rule 48 of the Rules of Procedure,

on the situation after the events in Beirut

PE 80.932
Or. Fr.

The European Parliament,

- A. having regard to the atrocious slaughter of Palestinian civilians in the Sabra and Chatila camps in Beirut,
 - B. having regard to the presence of the Israeli Army around the camps while these massacres were taking place,
 - C. having regard to the size of the demonstrations organized in Israel on 24 September in protest against the Begin government's policy in the Lebanon,
 - D. having regard to the near-unanimous election of Amin Gemayel, President of the Lebanese Republic following the assassination of his brother, Bashir,
 - E. having regard to the historic role incumbent on the European countries in helping find a solution to allow peace finally to return to this area,
1. Expresses its horror at the massacres in the Palestinian camps of Sabra and Chatila;
 2. Sends the Palestinian people, which has so cruelly suffered, all its sympathy and expresses its solidarity in this time of trial;
 3. Calls for an impartial enquiry to determine the perpetrators of these massacres and the degree of responsibility of all who encouraged them, carried them out or had them carried out;
 4. Approves and unreservedly endorses the statement by the Foreign Ministers of the Community meeting in political cooperation of 20 September 1982;
 5. Salutes the positive role being played by the troops of the peace-keeping force in Beirut in restoring the safety of the civilian population, in accordance with the resolution of the United Nations Security Council;
 6. Calls for the immediate withdrawal from all Lebanese territory of all foreign forces which are present without the approval of the Lebanese Government;
 7. Supports all recent efforts to find a comprehensive solution to the problem, on the basis of internationally recognized frontiers for all the States in the area including the State of Israel; a home for the Palestinian people; and the restoration of sovereignty and territorial integrity to the Lebanon;
 8. Proposes that the Arab countries in OPEC, the USA and the EEC draw up a development programme for all States directly affected and ravaged by the Middle East conflict;
 9. Calls for the opening of a dialogue between Israel and the representatives of the Palestinian people;
 10. Instructs its President to forward this resolution to the Council, Commission and the Foreign Ministers meeting in political cooperation