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MOTION FOR A RESOLUTION

tabled by Mr GALLAND and Mr CALVEZ,  
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 outlawing of 'Solidarity' in Poland

PE 80.928  
Or. F.

The European Parliament,

- A. having regard to the decision by the Polish Diet of 8 October, to ban 'Solidarity', the trade union, which is tantamount to banning trade union pluralism and the right to strike,
  - B. whereas this is the culmination of a long process of repression in Poland, where human rights no longer exist,
  - C. whereas all the trade unions in the free world cannot stand by while a union which had mobilized a whole people disappears,
  - D. whereas for more than a year the Polish situation has been calling for other action other than simple diplomatic condemnation,
  - E. aware, nevertheless, that the first victims of any embargo would be the Polish people, which would be deeply unfair,
1. Calls upon the Commission, the Council and the governments of the Ten to channel future aid from the European Community and the ten Member States solely to the Polish Church;
  2. Believes that to do so would be an exemplary and tangible rebuff to the Polish government; believes that this procedure would effectively ensure that European aid was actually distributed to the Polish people;
  3. Calls for intervention by the European Economic Community at the major international bodies
    - the United Nations Organization
    - the International Labour Organization
    - UNESCOto have human rights, trade union freedom and freedom of expression respected;
  4. Instructs its President to forward this resolution to the Council, Commission and to the Ministers of Foreign Affairs meeting in political cooperation.