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MOTION FOR A RESOLUTION

tabled by Lord O'HAGAN, on behalf of the European Democratic Group

with request for topical and urgent debate

pursuant to Rule 48 of the Rules of Procedure

on the law to suppress Solidarity

'The European Parliament,

- A - recalling the UN Declaration on Human Rights
- B - recalling the Final Act of the Helsinki Conference on Cooperation and Security in Europe;
- C - believing that further political instability caused by oppression in Poland could endanger the security and stability of Europe as a whole;
- D - welcoming the speech on Poland by His Holiness John Paul II on 10 October;
- E - recalling its motion of 16 September 1982 (Doc. 1-436/82),
 1. Condemns, as a violation of the right to free association, the law passed by the Sejm on 8 October 1982 to abolish the Polish trade union, Solidarity;
 2. Calls on the Polish authorities to release those leading members of Solidarity (particularly Lech Walesa) now in captivity and to allow them to resume in Poland their roles as genuine representatives of organized Polish workers;
 3. Urges all governments of the free world to follow the example of Pope John Paul II in condemning the Polish government's attempt to suppress Solidarity;
 4. Instructs its President to forward this resolution to the Council, the Commission and the Polish Government.'