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MOTION FOR A RESOLUTION

tabled by Mr BOCKLET, Mr HELMS, Mr DALSASS, Mr FRÜH, Mr TOLMAN, Mr LANGES, Mr MARCK, Mr MERTENS, Mr Konrad SCHÖN, Mr NOTEMBOOM, Mr SALZER, Mr AIGNER and Mr CLINTON

on behalf of the Group of the European People's Party (CD-Group)

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

on measures to promote butter sales

The European Parliament,

- A having regard to the butter stocks in the Community which have recently increased thus creating a risk that the budget will come under increasing pressure in the future and the Community's position on the world market will be weakened;
- Considers that the Commission should do its utmost to prevent large stocks of butter from accumulating again, by means of better market management;
- 2. Calls upon the Commission to repeat the Christmas butter scheme this year in a form that effectively relieves pressure on the market; this could be done by giving away a quantity of intervention butter with every purchase of fresh butter, the amount given free being limited to half the amount of fresh butter purchased. The costs of this scheme could be met from revenue from the coresponsibility levy paid by farmers;
- 3. Requests the Commission to extend the existing arrangement of sales of roduced-price butter for the manufacture of pastry products to small and medium-sized undertakings;
- 4. Calls upon the Commission to create, by means of an appropriate price policy, conditions on the world market that will allow butter to be exported with the lowest possible export refunds, taking care to ensure that the Soviet Union does not enjoy more favourable terms than other third countries;
- 5. Instructs its President to forward this resolution to the Commission and the Council of the European Communities.