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MOTION FOR A RESOLUTION

tabled by Mr VANDEMEULEBROUCKE

pursuant to Rule 47 of the Rules of Procedure

on the exclusion of Corsica from the Provence -
Côte d'Azur region for statistical purposes

PE 83.967

The European Parliament,

- A. having regard to the preamble of the Treaty of Rome, fifth recital: 'Anxious to (... reduce) the differences existing between the various regions and the backwardness of the less favoured regions,
- B. whereas Article 1 of the regulation establishing the European Regional Development Fund states that it is intended 'to correct the principal regional imbalances within the Community resulting from agricultural preponderance, industrial change and structural under-employment',
- C. whereas the Commission gives priority in granting aid from the ERDF to regions with a rating of less than 75,
- D. noting that Corsica:
- is a region having legal status
 - is classed as part of the Provence - Côte d'Azur region for statistical purposes,
 - ought to be given a rating of 40 using the original method of calculation,
- E. having regard to the proximity of the Mezzogiorno (which includes Sardinia and Elba), which is eligible for aid from the quota section of the ERDF,
1. Calls on the French Government and the European Community to exclude Corsica from the Provence - Côte d'Azur region for statistical purposes and to consider it as a separate region;
 2. Calls on the Commission to calculate the real rating for Corsica as a separate region and thus to set aside ERDF resources for it;
 3. Calls on the Commission to examine whether Corsica can be considered as eligible for aid from the quota section of the ERDF;
 4. Instructs its President to forward this resolution to the Commission of the European Communities and to the government of the French Republic.