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MOTION FOR A RESOLUTION

tabled by Mr G. FUCHS

pursuant to Rule 47 of
the Rules of Procedure

on human rights in Turkey

The European Parliament,

- A - having regard to the daily violation of human rights and democracy in Turkey,
- B - whereas more than 1600 democratically elected mayors have been removed from office by the generals in power since 12 September 1980, almost 300 of them having been arrested, including AMMET ISVAN, engineer, mayor of Istanbul from 1975 to 1979, MEHDI ZANA, worker, mayor of DIYARBAKIR, leader of the Workers' Party of Turkey and FIKRI SÖNMEZ, independent mayor of Fatsa, for whom the death penalty has been demanded,
- C - having regard to the dissolution of independent trade union and political organizations, the arrest of their leaders and the confiscation of their property,
- D - having regard to motions for resolutions Nos. 1-376/81 and 1-377/81,
1. Invites the Foreign Ministers meeting in political cooperation to contact the representatives of the military junta with a view to obtaining the immediate release of the imprisoned mayors,
 2. Instructs its President to forward this resolution to the Council of Ministers.