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MOTION FOR A RESOLUTION

tabled by Mr VANDEMEULEBROUCKE, Mrs VAN HEMELDONCK, Mrs PAUWELYN, Mrs DURY, Mr van MINNEN and Mr VAN MIERT

pursuant to Rule 47 of the Rules of Procedure

on the situation in Central America

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The European Parliament,

- A. having regard to the persistent political violence in Central America,
- B. concerned at the danger which this situation constitutes for world peace,
- C. referring to the resolutions on various aspects of this situation and, more particularly, to:
 - the resolution of 17.9.81 on the violation of human rights in Guatemala (Doc. 1-835/80).
 - the resolution of 17.9.81 on the situation in El Salvador (Doc. 1-472/81 and Doc. 1-486/81),
 - the resolution of 17.6.82 on the situation in Nicaragua (Doc. 1-332/82) and
 - the resolution of 11.3.82 on the situation in El Salvador,
- D. having regard to the reports by Amnesty International,
- Calls for the establishment of a dialogue leading to negotiations between the main parties involved in the conflict in El Salvador and for the said parties to relax their intransigent attitude which is standing in the way of a just peace;
- Requests the Commission of the European Communities and the Foreign Ministers meeting in political cooperation to take steps to facilitate a dialogue between the governments of Honduras and Nicaragua in order to prevent border disputes from escalating into a regional war which would cause great sufferin to the entire population of Central America;
- 3. Condemns the massacres of the civilian population involving the annihilation of whole families and villages, such as has occurred amongst the peasant and Indian populations in Guatemala;
- Condemns the policy of foreign military intervention and calls for arms deliveries and the sending of military advisers to Central America to be curtailed;
- 5. Requests the parliamentary delegation to the European Community/Latin America Conference to place the situation in Central America on the agenda of the sixth Interparliamentary Conference;
 - 6. Instructs its President to forward this resolution to the Commission and the Council of the European Communities and to the Governments of El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras and Nicaragua.
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