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### MOTION FOR A RESOLUTION

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on behalf of the Christian Democratic Group (EPP)

pursuant to Rule 47 of the Rules of Procedure

on the European Convention on the legal status of  
migrant workers

The European Parliament,

Whereas:

In 1977 the Council of Europe drew up a Convention on the legal status of migrant workers,

This Convention contains a number of fundamental rights for foreign workers in the area of recruitment, residence and work permits, conditions of employment and working conditions, social security, housing, family reunion and education,

Sweden, Portugal, Spain, Turkey and the Netherlands have since ratified the Convention and France, Italy and Norway will do so shortly,

The Convention entered into force on 1 February 1983 which means that it is applied in some Member States but not in others,

In view of the difficult situation in which migrant workers find themselves as a result of the economic crisis, it is highly desirable that the Convention should be implemented in all the Member States of the Community,

Requests the Commission

Urgently to examine whether this Council of Europe Convention on the legal status of migrant workers can be signed and ratified at Community level so that all Member States are bound by its provisions.

To study the possibility of gradually extending Regulation No. 1408/71 to cover workers from third countries.

To submit proposals on this subject to the Council and the European Parliament.