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MOTION FOR A RESOLUTION

tabled by Lord O'HAGAN, on behalf of the European Democratic
Group

with request for an early vote, pursuant to Rule 42(5) of
the Rules of Procedure

to wind up the debate on the oral question no. 1-1137/82

on the uniform electoral procedure

PE 83.812
Or. En.

'The European Parliament,

- A. recalling the Draft Act adopted by the European Parliament on 10 March 1982 concerning a uniform electoral procedure,
- B. aware of the inability, so far, of the Council to agree on a uniform electoral procedure for the election to the European Parliament in 1984,
- C. mindful of Article 10, paragraph 2 of the Council Act of 20 September 1976 concerning the election of the representatives of the Assembly by direct universal suffrage,
 1. Insists that all Member States should take the necessary national measures to enable at least all their citizens resident in the Community to have the right to vote in the next European elections;
 2. Insists that, to this end, Parliament should forthwith place advertisements in all Member States in order to inform those who, in the absence of a Council decision, will be disenfranchised, urging them to express their wishes immediately to the appropriate national government;
 3. Insists that Member States take the necessary measures, whether bilateral or multilateral, to ensure compliance with Article 8 of the Act of 26 September 1976 whereby electors may not vote more than once in a European election;
 4. Regrets that the Council has not proposed a date for the European elections in 1984 which corresponds more exactly to the date of the elections in 1979;
 5. Insists that the Council's consultation of the Parliament on the matter should, as envisaged in the Act of 1976, conform to the normal process of consultation of Parliament by the Council;
 6. Requests the Council to report back to the European Parliament by June 1983 concerning the steps which have been taken to implement this resolution.
 7. Instructs its President to forward this resolution to the Council and the Governments of the Member States.'