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MOTION FOR A RESOLUTION
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on behalf of the EPP Group (Christian-Democratic Group)
pursuant to Rule 47 of the Rules of Procedure

on the crisis within the UN

The European Parliament,

- A. having regard to the statements made by the Secretary-General of the UN, Mr Perez de Cuellar, and his report on the serious nature of the crisis within the UN,
- B. concerned at the disappointing outcome of the North-South Assembly and the UN Conference on Disarmament,
- C. whereas, in the course of this year, the international organization of the United Nations has seen tragic confirmation of its impotence in the face both of continuing aggression and tension, from Afghanistan to Southern Africa, and of new conflicts between Iran and Iraq, Britain and Argentina and in Lebanon,
- D. convinced that only strong international institutions can, by their successful upholding of international law and human rights, secure peace for mankind,
- E. mindful of the tragic demise of the League of Nations,
- F. convinced of the intrinsic relation between a policy for strengthening the role of the UN and promoting regional cohesion in the various continents of the globe,
- G. noting that the large international organizations have provided the Community countries with an ideal basis for political cooperation in their search for common positions,
- H. convinced that the UN is a forum both for defining and assaying a common Europe-USA strategy for peace and for resuming negotiations with those of the non-aligned countries committed to working towards the peaceful resolution of conflicts,
- I. determined to play its part to ensure that the European Community revives the grand design that led to the creation of the UN and takes political responsibility for resolving the current crisis,
- Instructs its committee responsible to draw up a report on the crisis
 within the international organization of the United Nations and to
 put forward realistic proposals for resolving it, extending to this
 end an invitation to the Secretary-General of the UN himself;
- Calls on the Ministers for Foreign Affairs of the Community meeting in political cooperation to consider the question of the role of the Community countries in responding to the crisis within the UN;
- 3. Instructs its President to forward this resolution to the Council and the Commission, to the Governments of the Member States and the Secretary-General of the United Nations.
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