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MOTION FOR A RESOLUTION

tabled by Mrs DUPORT and Mr GLINNE  
on behalf of the Socialist Group

pursuant to Rule 47 of the Rules of Procedure

on a political solution to the Armenian question

PE 86.542

The European Parliament,

- A - having regard to the upsurge in terrorist attacks organized by groups of Armenians, who claim responsibility for them,
  - B - whereas the necessary suppression of terrorism will not eliminate the injustices on which these groups base their actions,
  - C - whereas violence is not the principal means of expression of the Armenian communities, their major political organizations having proposed other solutions which have so far been rejected,
  - D - whereas the right of cultural and linguistic ethnic minorities to recognition of their identity presupposes recognition of their history,
  - E - whereas the Armenian people have been deprived of their history by the Turkish Government, which, by refusing to admit to the genocide of 1915, is obliterating the historical reality of Armenia,
1. Protests strongly at the attacks which discredit the cause they claim to support;
  2. Expresses its solidarity with the victims of these attacks;
  3. Calls on the Council of Ministers of the EEC
    - (a) to declare its recognition of the genocide,
    - (b) to obtain recognition by the Turkish Government of the historical fact of the 1915 genocide,
    - (c) to convince the Government of Turkey that a just and lasting solution to the Turkish-Armenian problem can only be found by establishing a political dialogue, and
    - (d) to obtain an identical declaration from the UN;
  4. Instructs its President to forward this resolution to the Council and Commission.