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MOTION FOR A RESOLUTION

tabled by Mr KYRKOS

pursuant to Rule 47 of the Rules of Procedure on
Community intervention in the table olive sector

The European Parliament,

- A. whereas the production of table olives is an important activity within the Community,
 - B. whereas in the last few years Greece has substantially increased table olive production as a substitute for crops which are giving rise to difficulties within the Community, such as common wheat, olive oil and tobacco for domestic consumption, etc.,
 - C. whereas many thousands of Greek farmers live exclusively from the production of table olives,
 - D. whereas table olives are a purely Mediterranean product which requires special Community treatment,
 - E. whereas the protocol for the accession of Greece to the EEC contains an undertaking that the common organization of the market will be applied to the table olive sector,
 - F. whereas only 70% of Greek products are covered by the Community policy on the common organization of the market,
 - G. whereas future enlargement will upset community self-sufficiency,
1. Calls on the Commission,
 - to take measures to protect Community production for the current marketing year;
 - to take measures to increase Community preference for Greek table olives;
 - to draw up and submit to the Council for the next marketing year a regulation providing for the common organization of the market to be applied to the table olive sector;
 2. Instructs its President to forward this resolution to the Commission, the Council of Ministers and the Greek Government.