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MOTION FOR A RESOLUTION

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pursuant to Rule 47 on the Rules of Procedure

on administrative assistance at European level

PE 82.703

The European Parliament,

- A. whereas pursuant to Article 3(h) of the EEC Treaty the approximation of the laws of the Member States to the extent required for the proper functioning of the common market constitutes one of the primary tasks of the Community and whereas the approximation of laws is a vital instrument for eliminating the barriers to intra-Community trade in goods which arise as a result of differences between the legislative and administrative provisions in the Member States,
 - B. having regard to the backlog of legislation to be adopted by the Council in the form of proposals for harmonization submitted by the Commission,
 - C. having regard to Article 235 of the EEC Treaty, which allows recourse to the sovereign rights of the Member States if action by the Community should prove necessary to attain, in the course of the operation of the common market, one of the objectives of the Community,
 - D. whereas improved democratic legitimization of legislative acts of the Community appears desirable and whereas this democratic legitimization is assured through the involvement of the directly elected European Parliament,
1. Calls on the Commission to submit forthwith to the Council a proposal for a regulation based on Article 235 empowering the European Parliament to take a decision on Commission proposals for the adoption of directives within the meaning of Article 100 of the EEC Treaty and to issue such directives itself if the Council has not taken a decision thereon within one year from the submission of the Commission's proposal; the above-mentioned proposal should also empower the Council to suspend or amend the decision of the European Parliament within a period of two months by majority decision;
 2. Instructs its President to forward this resolution to the Council and the Commission and to the Parliaments and Ministers of Justice of the Member States.