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MOTION FOR A RESOLUTION

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Mr ARNDT, Mr LINKOHR, Mrs WEBER and Mr G. FUCHS

pursuant to Rule 47 of the Rules of Procedure

on relations between the European Parliament and the
Council of Ministers

1. European Parliament,

- 4. - whereas, since its direct election in 1979, it has systematically attempted to consolidate its position within the institutional framework of the European Community;
- 5. - recalling the reports which it produced in 1980, 1981 and 1982 on its own position and on institutional matters (the reports by Mr Rey, Mr Hänsch, Mr Diligent, Mrs Baduel-Glorioso, Mr Van Miert, Lady Elles, Mr Antoniozzi and Mr Blumenfeld);
- 6. - having regard to its resolution on the creation of a Committee on Institutional Affairs;
- 7. - Notes that relations between the Parliament and Council are still not satisfactory and, in particular, that the six-monthly consultation with the Council is in fact of little value and does not meet any genuine needs;
- 8. - takes the view that this arises from the virtual impossibility, save in exceptional circumstances, of any substantial changes or fresh developments in the Community being initiated during a Presidency which lasts for only six months;
- 9. - wishes, therefore, to place its relations with the Council on a new footing and to hold consultations with the Council not at arbitrary intervals coinciding with a change in the Presidency but whenever this is warranted by the occurrence of major events or fresh developments within the Community.