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MOTION FOR A RESOLUTION

tabled by Mr ROMUALDI, Mr ALMIRANTE,  
Mr BUTTAFUOCO and Mr PETRONIO

pursuant to Rule 47 of the Rules of Procedure

on recent developments in the crisis in Lebanon

The European Parliament,

- A having regard to the extreme gravity of the situation in Lebanon, following the Israeli invasion, the assassination of President-elect Gemayel, the occupation of West Beirut by Israeli troops and the massacre of the Palestinian civilians in the Chatila and Sabra camps,
- B whereas two Member States of the Community are contributing troops from their armies to the multinational peace-keeping force, at the request of the Lebanese Government,
- C noting that, despite the efforts of the negotiators, the ceasefire remains fragile and is too often violated, with ensuing losses of human life,
- D whereas it is above all the Lebanese civilian population and the Palestinian refugees who are suffering the consequences of the war,

REQUESTS THAT:

1. the various militias of the political, ethnic and religious factions be disarmed, as they permanently threaten to provoke a renewed outbreak of civil war;
2. all foreign troops currently in Lebanon be evacuated prior to the withdrawal of the multinational peace-keeping force;
3. the authority of the legitimate Lebanese Government be re-established, particularly in southern Lebanon;
4. the rights of the Palestinians be safeguarded and their refugee camps placed under the protection of international organizations such as the International Red Cross and the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees;
5. instructs its President to forward this resolution to the Commission and the Council.