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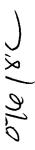
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MOTION FOR A RESOLUTION

tabled by Mr von WOGAU and Mr HERMAN on behalf of the Group of the European People's Party. (CD Group)

with request for topical and urgent debate pursuant to Rule 48 of the Rules of Procedure

on import restrictions in France



PE 81.782 Or. DE

The European Parliament,

- A. concerned at the fact that in these difficult economic circumstances various Member States of the European Community are increasingly resorting to internal protectionist measures.
- B. convinced that the maintenance of free trade in the Community is an essential prerequisite for European competitiveness and overcoming the crisis.
- 1. Is alarmed by reports in the press that the French Government intends in future to require certificates of origin for foreign products and will insist that customs documentation be submitted in French;
- Expresses its fear that this and other measures under consideration unequivocally serve protectionist ends;
- 3. Doubts that these measures are compatible with the EEC Treaty and calls on the Commission and the Council of Ministers as a matter of urgency to take the necessary steps to ensure compliance with the rules of the Treaty of Rome.