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MOTION FOR A RESOLUTION

tabled by Mr ALBERS

pursuant to Rule 47 of
the Rules of Procedure

on a ban on headphones when
driving motor vehicles

The European Parliament,

- A - whereas measures for the harmonization of technical regulations in the motor vehicle trade fall within the competence of the European Communities,
 - B - whereas in every Member State of the Community all motor vehicles are required to have a horn,
 - C - whereas the provision of a horn serves no purpose if other motorists are unable to hear the horn when used,
 - D - considering the increasing popularity of portable tape recorders with headphone attachments,
1. Considers that the use of portable tape recorders with headphone attachments by drivers of motor vehicles constitutes a serious hazard to traffic in the Community;
 2. Calls on the Commission as soon as possible to introduce a proposal for a Council regulation instituting an immediate ban on the use of headphones by drivers of motor vehicles in the Community;
 3. Instructs its President to forward this resolution to the Council and the Commission.