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MOTION FOR A RESOLUTION

tabled by Mr COLLINS

pursuant to Rule 47 of the Rules of Procedure

on the import of ivory in the Community

PE 85.942

The European Parliament,

- A. considering that, despite increasing control on ivory, the elephant population is still declining,
  - B. regretting that States do not have enough control over ivory leaving their country,
  - C. recognising that the Asian elephant is on annex 1 of CITES and that its ivory may not be marketed,
  - D. regretting that the EC Regulation No. 3626/82 concerning the implementation in the Community of CITES has not included the African elephant in the list of species subject to stricter measures than those foreseen by CITES,
  - E. recognising that States such as France have taken measures which are now stricter for importing ivory,
  - F. aware of the efforts of numerous African countries to fight the poaching of elephants,
1. Demands that the Commission of the European Communities proposes a regulation banning the import of ivory in the Community. Such a regulation should be based on the same principle as the regulation concerning the products of whales;
  2. Invites the Council of Ministers to adopt the regulation.