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MOTION FOR A RESOLUTION

tabled by Mr BERSANI and Mr BARBI

on behalf of the Group of the European Peoples Party

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

on the events in Lesotho

The European Parliament,

- A. having regard to the military action taken by the Republic of South Africa against Lesotho and in particular against its capital Maseru on Thursday, 9 December 1982,
- B. whereas the EEC and Lesotho are linked by treaty in the form of the Lomé II Convention,
- C. whereas under this convention, the President of the Lesotho Parliament was elected Co-President of the ACP/EEC Consultative Assembly during the meeting at parliamentary level in Rome in November,
 - 1. Condemns the South African military action, which took place at the very moment when there seemed to be some development in relations between the Republic of South Africa and some of its neighbours;
 - 2. Expresses its solidarity with the people of Lesotho;
 - 3. Invites the Commission to examine this situation from the point of view of cooperation between the EEC and SADEC (Southern Africa Development Commitment);
 - 4. Instructs its President to forward this resolution to the Council of the Lomé Convention, the Foreign Ministers meeting in political cooperation and to the Commission.