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MOTION FOR A RESOLUTION

tabled by Mr LUSTER and Mr BARBI on behalf 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 the need for development aid for Namibia

PE 82.077 Or. De.

The European Parliament,

- A. whereas at present Namibia does not receive any direct development aid from the European Communities and the national governments, although this is urgently needed,
- B. whereas Namibia has been put off with the promise of aid when it achieves independence – although it is not in the power of the Namibian Government – or the people of Namibia to bring about independence,

Requests the Commission:

- 1. To make public aid available to the people of Namibia forthwith i.e. before independence - through appropriate organizations (such as independent and non-partisan institutions) with a view to encouraging the development of democracy and thus reducing Namibia's dependence;
- 2. Considers that this aid should be directed towards the following areas in particular:
 - education of black and coloured officials in the country in order
 to create a stable, independent and democratic national administration
 - scholarships for the country's black and coloured prospective executives;
- 3. Considers it necessary that aid should also be granted in the following areas to the black and coloured population as a matter of priority so as to reduce Namibia's economic dependence:
 - aid in the field of vocational training, by founding training institutions and centres and polytechnics with a view to setting up craft and industrial enterprises;
 - aid in the field of education, adult education and further education;
 - training and further education for teachers with a view to improving the quality of education and training available;
 - aid in the field of housing;
 - aid in the field of health care with a view to organizing or extending health services in rural areas;
 - aid for the purpose of improving water supplies in the south of the country;
 - aid to relieve the suffering caused by the influx of refugees from southern Angola to northern Namibia, since the international organizations have not so far concerned themselves with refugees in Kavango and Ovamboland, and humanitarian aid is needed to help integrate these refugees;
 - 4. Instructs its President to forward this resolution to the Commission and Council of the European Communities.

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