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MOTION FOR A RESOLUTION

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pursuant to Rule 25 of the Rules of Procedure

~~on~~ certain violations of human rights in Argentina

The European Parliament,

- deeply concerned about the situation as regards human rights in Argentina where, according to some reports, there are 20,000 to 30,000 political prisoners, including 6,000 people whose fate is not known and who have either disappeared or are being held illegally,
 - extremely disturbed at the news concerning the abduction of two French nuns in that country,
 - drawing attention to the respect for human rights, on which the standards of behaviour of the international community and the external relations of the European Community must be based,
 - drawing attention to its resolution of 9 July 1976 on the situation in Argentina following the suspension of constitutional guarantees,
1. Requests the Commission and Council of the European Communities and the Governments of the Member States urgently to take all appropriate measures to bring about an improvement in the situation as regards human rights and the respect of democratic freedoms in Argentina;
 2. Invites the Governments of the Member States and, in particular, the Foreign Ministers meeting in political cooperation, to propose that the World Cup Football competition should not be held in Argentina next summer unless the government of that country gives the necessary guarantees that the physical integrity of all persons will be respected, in particular that of persons imprisoned because of their opinions and of those whose political beliefs have led to their disappearance;
 3. Resolves to use all its contacts outside the Community, particularly with the Latin-American Parliament and the United States Congress with a view to generating parallel and concerted action in this field, including action within the framework of the United Nations.