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MOTION FOR A RESOLUTION

tabled by Mr KYRKOS

pursuant to Rule 47 of the
Rules of Procedure

on the drawing up of a programme
for saving Mediterranean seals

PE 85.830

The European Parliament,

A. whereas it is likewise the view of the Commission that it falls within the competence of the Community to ensure the preservation and the restoration of the quality of the biotopes necessary for the survival of species threatened by extinction,

B. aware that the Mediterranean seal, which survives almost exclusively in Greece particularly in areas such as the island of Alonisos and other islands of the Northern Sporades and the Eastern shores of Mt. Pilion (the Greek seal) is under threat of extinction,

1. Calls on the Commission:

a) To carry out a systematic study of the places and conditions of survival of the Mediterranean seal and in particular of the Greek seal;

b) To take into account the need to compensate fishermen for the damage this seal probably causes to fisheries so that they no longer kill these seals or so that they fish in other waters;

c) To draw up an integrated programme for the preservation of this species of seal, conserving and developing the sea areas in question;

2. Instructs its President to transfer this resolution to the Commission, the Council and the governments of Member States.