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### MOTION FOR A RESOLUTION<sup>1</sup>

tabled by Mrs Hanna WALZ and  
Mr Gerhard FLÄMIG

on behalf of the Committee on Energy and Research

with request for debate by urgent procedure  
pursuant to Rule 14 of the Rules of Procedure

on the/accident at the Three Mile Island  
nuclear power station

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<sup>1</sup> adopted unanimously on 3 April 1979  
Present: Mrs Walz, chairman; Mr Flämig,  
vice-chairman; Mr Ansquer, Lord Bessborough,  
Mr Brown, Mr Fioret, Mr Fuchs, Mr Granet,  
Mr Hamilton (deputizing for Mr Mitchell),  
Mr Herbert (deputizing for Mr Power), Mr Holst,  
Mr Ibrügger, Mr Lagorce (deputizing for  
Mr Laurain), Mr Leonardi, Mr Liogier,  
Mr H-W. Müller, Mr Osborn and Mr Ripamonti

REASONS SUPPORTING REQUEST FOR URGENT DEBATE

At its meeting of 3 April 1979 the Committee on Energy and Research adopted a motion for a resolution concerning the recent accident at the Three Mile Island nuclear power station near Harrisburg, USA.

I would request you to place this motion for a resolution on the agenda for the April part-session, pursuant to Rule 14 of the European Parliament's Rules of Procedure.

Application of the urgent procedure appears to me amply justified, as the repercussions of this accident, which occurred only a short time ago, are unlikely, in my committee's opinion, to facilitate the pursuit of the nuclear policy which it has advocated for some considerable time.

By authorizing the presentation of this motion for a resolution at the April part-session, you would also give the Commission an opportunity of outlining the measures it intends to take at Community level in order to cope with such a serious eventuality and reassure the public.

The European Parliament,

- considering the growing contribution made by nuclear energy in the Community,
  - highly concerned at the recent accident at the nuclear power station near Harrisburg, Pennsylvania,
1. Calls on the Commission immediately to draw up a report on the causes and consequences of the accident at the Three Mile Island nuclear power station;
  2. Asks the Commission to present this report at the next part-session of the European Parliament in order that possible implications of this accident for the Community's nuclear programme may be considered;
  3. Instructs its President to forward this resolution to the Council and Commission of the European Communities.