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MOTION FOR A RESOLUTION  
tabled by Mr FELLERMAIER,  
on behalf of the Socialist Group

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

on the violation by European companies of  
the sanctions against Rhodesia

The European Parliament,

- confirming the continuing importance of economic sanctions against the illegal régime in Rhodesia as laid down by the United Nations,
- recognizing the gravity of the information which has been revealed by the Bingham Report and the report by the United Nations special delegate on the breaking of the economic sanctions against Rhodesia, and acknowledging the recent part played by the British Government in making such information available,
- deploring the fact that a large number of companies, some with substantial state holdings, with their headquarters or their subsidiaries in the European Community have been flagrantly breaking these sanctions,
  1. Demands that the Foreign Ministers of the nine Member States of the European Community meeting in political cooperation report to the European Parliament on their joint efforts to ensure the complete and effective operation of the economic sanctions;
  2. Further urges that the Foreign Ministers formulate and implement whatever measures may be necessary in the light of the reports mentioned above, to ensure the complete and effective operation of the economic sanctions, and calls for an interim statement by the Foreign Ministers at the next part-session of the European Parliament;
  3. Instructs its Political Committee to conduct an examination into these matters;
  4. Instructs its President to forward this resolution to the Council and Commission of the European Communities.