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MOTION FOR A RESOLUTION (*)

tabled by 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 need for urgent Council decisions on outstanding Commission proposals in the energy sector

(*) Adopted unanimously on 18 September 1978. Present: Mrs Walz, Chairman; Mr Flämig, vice-chairman; Mr Brown; Mr Dalyen; Mr Edwards; Mr Fitch (deputizing for Mr Mitchell); Mr Fioret; Mr Fuchs; Mr Ibrügger; Mr Lezzi; Mr Osborn; Mr Power; Mr Radoux (deputizing for Mr Holst); and Mr Van Velthoven

The European Parliament,

- Recalling the European Parliament's many previous resolutions calling for the full implementation of a Community energy policy;
 - Considering that future economic stability can only be based on the Community being assured of adequate supplies of energy at reasonable prices;
 - Concerned that the Community remains at present heavily dependent on external energy supplies;
 - Recognising the efforts which the Commission has made to produce a series of proposals to face up to the Community's energy vulnerability;
 - Aware that the Council of Ministers has made only limited progress towards the adoption of an overall energy policy;
 - Disappointed, in particular, at the results of the last meeting of the Council of Energy Ministers on 30 May 1978;
 - Encouraged, nevertheless, by the emphasis given by the European Council meeting in Bremen to the need to intensify efforts at all levels to resolve long-term energy problems :
1. Calls on the Council of Energy Ministers, at its forthcoming meeting, to accelerate its progress towards adopting an overall Community energy policy;
 2. Expects, in particular, that the Council will be able to adopt the Commission's outstanding proposals on support for the Community's coal industry and for joint hydrocarbon exploration projects as well as to agree on a Community approach to the refining sector;
 3. Stresses the need for the Council to deal with these matters in a Community spirit in order to overcome the real problem arising from differences in individual Member States' energy supply patterns;
 4. Reiterates its view that a Community approach is needed to the problems of nuclear technology, especially regarding reprocessing, radio-active waste, and the development of fast breeder reactors;
 5. Instructs its President to forward this Resolution to the Commission and the Council of the European Communities.