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MOTION FOR A RESOLUTION

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

on the /situation in Corsica

The European Parliament,

- concerned at the deep unrest which prevails among the people of Corsica, as painfully reflected in the events of 6 to 11 January 1980 at Bastelica and Ajaccio,
 - noting that these events are not unique but constitute the regularly expressed reflection of a deep-rooted general impression of cultural and human alienation,
 - concerned at the situation of deep economic crisis and at the tragic migration of a whole generation of young Corsicans,
 - noting that the island of Corsica nevertheless enjoys an extremely favourable geographical situation in the Mediterranean,
 - considering that the rights of man and the fundamental freedoms of the human person are intimately bound up with the manner in which the individual is able to develop in his environment,
 - having regard to the fact that the success of European integration is fundamentally dependent on a policy of regionalism as expressed in the Declaration of Gaillimh/Galway;
 - noting that the problems of ethnic groups and regions are being increasingly drawn to the attention of the Council and Commission,
1. Calls upon the Council and Commission to convey to the Government of the French Republic its concern at the human and economic emergency facing the people of Corsica;
 2. Calls upon the Commission, pursuant to Article 122 of the EEC Treaty, to compile a report on special aspects of the social situation on the island of Corsica;
 3. Calls upon the Council and Commission to pursue a target-oriented policy of regionalism in the context of further progress towards economic integration;
 4. Instructs its President to forward this resolution to the Council and Commission.

JUSTIFICATION

The urgency of this resolution is justified by the present situation in Corsica.