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MOTION FOR A RESOLUTION

tabled by Mr D'ORMESSON, Mr LUSTER, Mr JANSSEN van RAAY, Mr GONTIKAS, Mr KLEPSCH, Mr ANTONIOZZI, on behalf of the Group of the European People's Party,

with request for topical and urgent debate pursuant to Rule 48 of the Rules of Procedure

on the violation of human rights in the People's Republic of Guinea

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The European Parliament,

- having regard to the Declaration of Human Rights and the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights,
- having regard to the OAU's African Charter of Human and Peoples' Rights,
- having regard to the European Parliament's resolution on human rights in the world and the document supporting the declaration of amnesty for prisoners of conscience throughout the world,
- having regard to the October 1963 constitution, in which Guinea makes express reference to freedom of expression and association,
- A. whereas, according to Amnesty International, the fate of thousands of individuals imprisoned by the Guinean authorities remains unknown, and whereas the said authorities have not so far supplied any precise information on these missing persons,
- B. whereas many political refugees have been forcibly repatriated and detained immediately on arrival in Guinea without any legal protection, which is to say without even being charged or tried,
- C. whereas, to obtain confessions, the Guinean authorities use barbaric, inhuman and degrading treatment in the form, for example, of torture involving electric shocks, beatings and the deprivation of food and water,
- Proposes that the European Parliament should ask the Guinean authorities to supply the necessary accurate information on the fate of the individuals reported 'missing';
- 2. Proposes that the political detainees should be given a fair trial before an impartial and independent court;
- 3. Proposes that the refugees concerned should be released and that their right to freedom of movement should be respected;
- 4. Proposes that the international conventions should be strictly applied and hence that the right to freedom of conscience, expression and association should be genuinely recognized in Guinea;
- 5. Proposes that the European Parliament should take steps to ensure that the above activities are terminated and that authorization is granted for an inspection of prisons by a humanitarian organization such as the Red Cross;
- 6. Instructs its President to forward this resolution to the Council and Commission of the European Communities.
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