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MOTION FOR A RESOLUTION

tabled by Mr KYRKOS

pursuant to Rule 47 of the Rules of Procedure

on the occupied Arab territories on the
West Bank and in the Gaza Strip

The European Parliament,

- concerned at the pressures being exerted by the Israeli Government of the occupied Arab territories on the West Bank and in the Gaza Strip, which has led to the resignation of the people's elected leaders;
 - appalled at the blatant terrorist methods employed by the occupying Israeli authorities, which resulted in the murder of unarmed Palestinians, including children 7 and 16 years old, who were protesting peacefully;
 - whereas the Israeli Government is employing these methods with a view to annexing the occupied territories, disregarding the unwritten rights of the Palestinian people, the UN resolutions and general world opinion;
1. Condemns the terrorist methods and the policy of annexing Palestinian territories pursued by the Israeli Government as a contravention of all the principles of international law;
 2. Calls for the immediate punishment of the perpetrators of these crimes, no matter what position they hold;
 3. Calls for the immediate withdrawal of Israeli forces from the occupied Arab territories, the implementation of the UN resolutions and, in particular, the recognition of the Palestinian people's right to self-determination and to create its own independent state in its ancestral territory;
 4. Calls upon the governments of the Member States of the Community immediately to recognize the PLO as the sole legal representative of the Palestinian people in response to the Israeli Government's policy and as a first step in a broad European initiative aimed at finding a complete and just solution to the Middle East problem, with a view to ensuring the security and peace for all the States in the region, including Israel;
 5. Resolves to organize a day of solidarity with the Palestinians, who are fighting for their unwritten rights.