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MOTION FOR A RESOLUTION

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

on the Argentine invasion of the Falkland Islands

'The European Parliament,

- deploring the attempt by the Argentine military junta to annex the Falkland Islands by force as a diversionary tactic to distract attention from the political brutalities and economic failures of its own regime;
- recalling that the future of the Falkland Islands was under negotiation between the British and Argentine governments when the unprovoked attack was made;
- 1. Condemns unreservedly the invasion of the Falkland Islands;
- 2. Notes and supports Resolution 502 of the Security Council of the United Nations on Argentina which demanded an immediate cessation of hostilities, and immediate withdrawal of all Argentinian forces from the Falkland Islands and called on the governments of Argentina and the United Kindgom to seek a diplomatic solution to their differences and to respect fully the purposes and principles of the Charter of the United Nations;
- 3. Congratulates the Council of Ministers on its practical support for the United Nations Resolution through its decision to ban all trade with the Argentine and requests the Community to continue economic sanctions until the Argentinian troops withdraw and a diplomatic settlement is reached;
- 4. Believes that this dispute must be settled by peaceful means and that economic rather than military pressure must be used to bring the aggressor to the negotiating table;
- 5. Calls for the simultaneous withdrawal of all its forces by the Argentine government and the halting of United Kingsom naval operations in order that negotiations may take place;
- 6. Calls on the United Nations to send a peacekeeping and administrative force to the Falkland Isles pending a settlement, taking into account the wishes of the Falkland Islanders;
- 7. Calls on all countries who support the peaceful settlement of international disputes to apply the necessary economic sanctions to compel the military junta to withdraw its armed forces from the Falkland Islands and return to the negotiating table and in particular, calls on the United States Government to play a more positive role against the activities of the military junta by applying military, economic and diplomatic sanctions:
- 8. Instructs its President to forward this resolution to the
 Governments of the United Kingdom and Argentina, to the SecretaryGeneral of the United Nations, to the President of the United States
 of America and to the President of the Council.

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