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MOTION FOR A RESOLUTION

tabled by Mr SARRE, Mr ZAGARI, Mr GLINNE,
Mrs CASTLE, Mr ESTIER, Mr ARNDT, Mr MOTCHANE,
Mrs CRESSON, Mrs FUILLET and Mrs ROUDY

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

on the ~~South~~-East Asian refugees

The European Parliament,

- concerned at the continuing gravity of the situation in South-East Asia,
 - disturbed by the plight of the Khmer people and the suffering of the refugees who are continuing to leave Cambodia and Vietnam but are unable to find a host country,
1. Decides that a parliamentary delegation should without delay visit Cambodia, Vietnam, Laos and Thailand to study and propose, in agreement with the authorities concerned, the material and humanitarian measures to be implemented on the spot in order to ensure the survival of thousands of men, women and children in danger of their lives;
 2. Asks for the aid provided by the Community and the Member States to be stepped up both to the refugees and to the peoples of Cambodia, Vietnam and Laos;
 3. Instructs its President to forward this resolution to the Commission, the Council and the governments of the Member States.

JUSTIFICATION

The plight of the Khmer people and the sufferings borne by the Vietnamese refugees call for humanitarian aid on an appropriate scale.

A parliamentary mission visiting in turn Cambodia, Vietnam, Laos and Thailand will be in a position, in collaboration with the Commission, to take all the measures that the situation dictates.