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MOTION FOR A RESOLUTION

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pursuant to Rule 47 of the Rules of  
Procedure

on the crisis in the Falkland Islands

The European Parliament,

- having regard to the decision by the EEC to impose an embargo on imports from Argentina,
  - having regard to the resolution of the UN Security Council calling for the withdrawal of the expeditionary force which has occupied the Falklands,
  - noting the importance of the fact that a Member State of the EEC is involved in the Falklands affair and that therefore it is entitled to unconditional solidarity on the part of the other signatory states to the Treaty of Rome,
  - aware also that in such situations in particular, the Community countries must display an even greater sense of responsibility and evaluate any action, proposal or measure on their own part, over and above their natural sense of loyalty towards the United Kingdom,
  - whereas the economic embargo is a measure which tends to affect principally the civilian population and would therefore serve merely to consolidate the entire nation's resolve to fight, thus rendering it more difficult for the United States to perform its mediating role,
  - whereas in this delicate affair attempts must be made to defuse the situation, and to this end any tendency towards any form of psychological, moral and in particular material pressure must be held in check, to avoid the risk of the parties concerned adopting even more radical positions,
  - whereas every effort must be made to reduce the dispute to the level of a diplomatic disagreement again and to prevent the situation from degenerating into an even wider and more serious crisis, which would have consequences for the strategic balance in the southern Atlantic and throughout the South American continent that cannot easily be estimated and might endanger world peace,
1. Calls for the economic embargo to be revoked with a view to avoiding any hardship for the people of Argentina which would have counter-productive effects as regards the search for a peaceful solution to the Anglo-Argentine dispute;
  2. Requests the President of the Council to report to Parliament meeting in plenary session on all the known aspects of the crisis and on the measures taken to resolve it;
  3. Instructs its President to forward this resolution to the Council and the Commission of the European Communities.