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### MOTION FOR A RESOLUTION

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pursuant to Rule 47 of the Rules of Procedure

on the creation of a European Foundation  
for safety at sea

The European Parliament,

- having regard to the world-wide importance of the Community's merchant fleet,
  - whereas, in the context of the enlargement of the Community to include Spain and Portugal, Community shipping will be further strengthened and play a role of primary importance particularly in the Mediterranean,
  - having regard to the serious nature of the problems of safety at sea, particularly in respect of accidents and the pollution of the sea and coast which they frequently cause,
  - whereas concerted action by the Member States is the only means capable of evoking the global response necessitated by this problem,
  - having regard to the proposal of the Commission of the European Communities on shore-based maritime navigation aid systems,
  - having regard to Greece's historical vocation in the field of maritime navigation and whereas the predominant role that the Community now enjoys in marine affairs is directly linked to Greek accession,
1. Calls for the creation of a European Foundation for safety at sea to organize, encourage and coordinate both the research into safety at sea which needs to be carried out at Community level and, in more general terms, the means to combat pollution of the sea and coast;
  2. Proposes that the Foundation be endowed with the sum of 3 m ECU per year, which should be entered in the draft budget of the Community for 1983, together with contributions from any public or private sources that it might be possible to associate with the various research projects;
  3. Proposes that the Foundation be set up in YITHION (Southern Peloponnese) which, having regard to its geographical position constitutes a favoured observation point at the heart of the Mediterranean.