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MOTION FOR A RESOLUTION

tabled by Mr. Gerard FUCHS

pursuant to Rule 47 of the Rules of Procedure

on the sentencing to death and execution of
Baha'is in Iran

The European Parliament,

- (a) having regard to the daily violations of human rights and democracy in Iran,
 - (b) having regard to the persecution to which the Baha'i community, in particular, have been subject solely on the grounds of their religious beliefs,
 - (c) having regard to the recent execution on 16 and 18 June 1983 of 18 Baha'is, including 10 women, who were compelled to choose between renunciation of their religion and death,
 - (d) having regard to the threat hanging over the lives of the other Baha'i prisoners,
 - (e) having regard to its resolutions of 19 September 1980 and 7 March 1983 on the persecution and sentencing to death of members of the Baha'i community in Iran,
1. Condemns these further violations of fundamental human rights;
 2. Calls on the Foreign Ministers meeting in political cooperation to make the appropriate representations to the Iranian authorities to obtain the release of the prisoners and an end to the repression suffered by this religious community;
 3. Instructs its President to forward this resolution to the Council, the Iranian Government, the governments and parliaments of the Member States and the Secretary-General of the United Nations.