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MOTION FOR A RESOLUTION

tabled by Mrs WEBER, Mr EYRAUD, Mr GLINNE, Mr SCHMID, Mrs WIECZOREK-ZEUL, Mr SCHINZEL, Mr ALBERS, Mr ROGERS, Mr HANSCH, Mrs VAN HEMELDONCK, Mr VAN MINNEN, Mr SEEFELD, Mr JAQUET, Mr MOREAU, Mr DESOUCHES, Mrs VAYSSADE, Mrs SALISCH, Mr VON DER VRING, Mrs VIEHOFF, Mr PLASKOVITIS, Mr PAPANTONIOU and Mrs Kalliope NIKOLAOU

on behalf of the Socialist Group

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

on the situation in the Middle East

PE 85.010 Or. De.

The European Parliament,

- having regard to its decisions on the Middle East and in particular the resolution contained in the PENDERS report of 11 January 1983,

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- having regard to the Council Decision of 9 June 1982,
- having regard to the European Council's most recent declaration on the Middle East of 22 March 1983,
- having regard to the dramatic escalation of the situation in the Middle
 East as reflected in the assassination of Mr Sartawi,
- having regard to the efforts of King Hussein of Jordan,
- having reagrd to the horrifying attack on the American Embassy in Beirut,
- whereas Israel is continuing and intensifying its policy of settlement of the West Bank and the Gaza Strip,
- having regard to the desperate plight of Palestinian refugees in Lebanon and its effect on their health,
- 1. Condemns all violent attacks on persons and institutions which can only aggravate the situation;
- 2. Calls on the Foreign Ministers of the Community meeting in Luxembourg at the end of May to take a decision reaffirming the Community's vital role in finding a solution to the political problems of the Middle East and to take steps to implement their recommendations, that is, to use every available means in the context of the common foreign and external economic policy to urge Israel to call an immediate halt to its settlement policy in the West Bank and the Gaza Strip in order to avoid placing further pressure of time on the negotiations;
- 3. Urges the Community to take part in the Conference on the Palestinian question called by the UN General Assembly;
- 4. Calls on the Council of Ministers and the Heads of State or Government of the Community to use all their influence to find a solution to the crisis in the Middle East so that children and young people are no longer the victims of political conflicts in this part of the world;
- 5. Instructs its President to forward this resolution to the Foreign Ministers of the European Community meeting in political cooperation, the Council PE 85.010 and the Commission.