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MOTION FOR A RESOLUTION

tabled by Mrs PANTAZI

pursuant to Rule 47 of the Rules of Procedure

on Community action to combat jellyfish

The European Parliament,

- A. having regard to the conclusions drawn from the seminar held in Athens in June on jellyfish in the Mediterranean,
 - B. having regard to the activities of the responsible agencies, such as the United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP), in combating jellyfish and, in particular, *Pelagia noctiluca*,
 - C. having regard to the activities of the coordinating unit for the Mediterranean Action Plan (MAP) and the programme for combating pollution in the Mediterranean (MED POL),
 - D. whereas the presence of jellyfish along the Mediterranean coasts:
 - prevents both tourists and the local inhabitants from enjoying the sea and,
 - represents a public health hazard, particularly in the case of children and persons susceptible to allergies,
1. Proposes:
 - (a) that the Commission take steps to implement Community action aimed at combating jellyfish along the Mediterranean coasts,
 - (b) that the Commission support programmes and studies drawn up in the Member States for combating jellyfish;
 2. Instructs its President to forward this resolution to the Commission, the Council and the governments of the Member States.