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MOTION FOR A RESOLUTION

tabled by Mr DALSASS

on behalf of the EPP Group

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

on the failure of the Council of Ministers of
Agriculture to take agricultural price decisions
for the financial year 1982/83

The European Parliament,

- having regard to the annually recurrent failure of the Council of Ministers to adopt the agricultural decisions by the due date,
- concerned about the uncertainty obtaining in the farming community by reason of the delays in adopting the agricultural price decisions,
- aware that this inability of the Council to take decisions further aggravates the farmers' already serious incomes situation,
- having regard to the profound effects which this disunity within the Council of Ministers has on farmers' confidence in the common agricultural policy,

1. Regrets that, although the European Parliament adopted its resolution on the Commission's agricultural price proposals in good time, the Council of Ministers has for its part failed to meet the deadlines set;
2. Calls upon the Council to put into effect the 1982/83 agricultural prices at the earliest possible date, taking due account of the European Parliament's resolution;
3. Points out that losses in agricultural incomes due to the delayed adoption of the agricultural prices must be taken into account in future deliberations;
4. Requests once again that the annual agricultural price decisions should not be linked to unsolved problems concerning the budget and national contributions, since in future the farming community will not be willing to go on bearing the brunt of these problems alone;
5. Instructs its President to forward this resolution to the Council and to the Commission.