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MOTION FOR A RESOLUTION

tabled by Mr TRAVAGLINI,

Mr COSTANZO and Mr LIMA.

pursuant to Rule 47 of the Rules of Procedure

on the creation of a regional development agency

The European Parliament,

- having regard to its resolution of 19 September 1980 on the regional development programmes,
- having regard to the criteria laid down by the Commission as a basis for reforming the regional development policy for more effective Community measures to reduce the disparities between the various regions and the backwardness of the less favoured regions,
- stressing that all common policies must make a decisive contribution to regional development,
- drawing attention to the fact that, during the period in which the regional policy was being established (Report on the regional problems in the enlarged Community Doc. COM (73) 550), the Commission had proposed, in addition to the Community's Regional Development Fund, the creation of a regional development agency to be an information centre for European industries and to take a short-term minority shareholding in companies setting up in development areas,
- whereas, despite the efforts of the governments of Member States and the support supplied by the ERDF, it has not proved possible to create appropriate productive structures in the industrial and service sectors,
- whereas, in the current phase of restructuring and conversion of production within the Community, it is more important than ever that national and regional policies should work together,

invites the Commission and Council

- to act on the proposal made by the Commission in Doc. COM (73) 550 making any necessary changes to bring it up to date, and proceeding in this manner, to create a Community body which, in addition to providing European industries with information, would be authorized to hold shares in companies setting up in developing areas.