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MOTION FOR A RESOLUTION
tabled by Mr EFREMIDIS, Mr ADAMOS and Mr ALAVANOS
pursuant to Rule 47 of the Rules of Procedure
on the European Parliament's support for the
Member States of the EEC in their endeavours
for peace

PE 75.961

The European Parliament,

- whereas the 1982 draft preliminary budget of the European Communities now under discussion includes expenditure on research in the nuclear sector,
- whereas proposals have recently been made seeking systematically to develop the European Communities into a military Community (Genscher proposals), to build up the EEC's naval power (decision of the Political Affairs Committee) and to encourage the European Communities to play an active role within the framework of the dangerous cold war policy of the USA and NATO (Commissioner Tugendhat's statements),
- whereas the problem of European security has now reached an extremely critical point, particularly following the decision to base Pershing II and Cruise nuclear missiles in member countries of NATO, and in the light of the production of the neutron bomb by the USA and the promotion of plans to develop it in the Member States of the EEC following the statements by American officials on limited nuclear war,
- whereas all the countries of Western Europe are in ferment in an unprecedentedly powerful mass movement against nuclear weapons and the neutron bomb that embraces the peoples of all our countries regardless of political persuasion,
- whereas the European Parliament, which is elected by direct universal suffrage, cannot ignore the foremost problem concerning the peoples of our countries,

Resolves

- To express its support for the peoples of Western Europe in their endeavours to remove the nuclear threat, to promote détente and to bring about a reduction in the level of armaments, fully sharing their deep anxiety for the future of peace in Europe;
- 2. To express most emphatically its opposition to the aspirations and proposals of leaders of the European Communities seeking to bring about the open involvement of the EEC in the USA's cold war policy and to convert it into a European branch of NATO;
- 3. To examine with special care the allocation of appropriations in the 1982 draft budget and to delete those directly or indirectly connected with military aims, particularly in the nuclear sector;
- 4. To declare itself in favour of the immediate opening of negotiations to achieve a balance at the lowest possible level, as a decisive step in the process of mutual, controlled disarmament;
- 5. Instructs its President to forward this resolution to the Commission, the Council and the Governments of the Member States.