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MOTION FOR A RESOLUTION

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

on the young Europeans in prison in Thailand

The European Parliament,

- whereas up to 50 young Europeans are in prison in Thailand on the grounds of the use and possession of drugs,
 - having regard to the prison conditions and the fact that the sentences generally range from 20 to 50 years,
 - whereas these young Europeans are completely isolated and cut off from their families,
 - whereas this isolation is deleterious to their possible and desirable reintegration into a healthy and normal life, according to the most elementary humanitarian principles,
 - whereas drug producers, drug sellers and drug users share the responsibility,
 - having regard to the absence of any bilateral convention or international treaty providing for the extradition of these young Europeans,
1. Calls for the urgent creation of a joint committee made up of representatives of the European Community and representatives of Thailand to study the possibility of transferring the young Europeans from the prisons of Thailand to their home country to serve their sentence in accordance with the spirit and traditions of that country;
 2. Instructs its President to forward this resolution to the Heads of State or Government and to the Council and Commission.