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MOTION FOR A RESOLUTION

tabled by Mr PANNELLA

for entry in the register

pursuant to Rule 49 of the Rules of Procedure

on the contribution of the European Parliament  
to the search for an equitable solution to the  
situation in Northern Ireland.

The European Parliament,

- whereas the situation in Northern Ireland is continuing to deteriorate, there is growing tension between the different parties concerned, and their respective positions are becoming increasingly polarized with no sign of a positive solution being found to the present crisis,
  - whereas the Community institutions constitute an ideal place for reconciling differences between member countries of the EEC or conflicts arising within those countries,
  - aware of the major role which the European Parliament is called upon to play in defending the interests and aspirations of all the peoples who elected it,
1. Decides to convene a public hearing of the European Parliament on the problem of Northern Ireland having regard, in particular, to the prisoners of Long Kesh and Armagh, to which it will invite all the parties concerned in the tragedy which is ravaging this unhappy part of the Community;
  2. Instructs the chairmen of the relevant parliamentary committees to organize this public hearing at the latest, two months after the adoption of this resolution;
  3. Instructs its President to forward this motion for a resolution to the Commission, the Council and the governments of the Member States.