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MOTION FOR A RESOLUTION

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with request for urgent debate
pursuant to Rule 14 of the Rules of Procedure

on MEASURES TO REMEDY THE GRAVE SITUATION IN
THE PO WATERSHED AND PROJECTS TO PROTECT THE
WATERSHEDS, RIVERS AND LAKES IN THE COMMUNITY.

The European Parliament,

- whereas the watersheds, rivers and lakes of the Community constitute a natural heritage of decisive importance to economic and social life,
 - whereas it is in the Community's interest to keep a constant check on the level of pollution in these water resources and to take measures to preserve them and to combat pollution,
 - whereas, to this end, the Community must establish a policy to tackle and resolve the problems stemming from natural and ecological disasters,
 - whereas it is essential to place suitable controls, in such cases too, on the large oil companies' activities,
1. Instructs the Committee on the Environment, Public Health and Consumer Protection and the Committee on Regional Policy and Regional Planning to set up a working party to tackle these problems comprehensively;
 2. Requests the Commission and Council to work out a Community policy on behalf of its great watersheds;
 3. Requests in particular the Commission to take immediate measures, by granting aid and encouraging technical projects, to remedy the grave situation in the PO watershed, on the basis of the Commission's past actions in similar circumstances, for instance in the case of the Amoco Cadiz;
 4. Instructs its President to forward this resolution to the Council, the Commission and the parliaments of the Member States.

JUSTIFICATION OF THE REQUEST FOR URGENT DEBATE

In view of the grave hydrogeological disturbances, the urgent need for Community action to protect the watersheds, rivers and lakes.