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MOTION FOR A RESOLUTION

tabled by Mrs CHARZAT, Mrs PERY, Mr SABY, and Mrs VAYSSADE

pursuant to Rule 47 of the Rules of Procedure

on vocational training for young people

The European Parliament,

- A having regard to Articles 117, 118 and 128 of the Treaty of Rome
- B having regard to the decision of 2 April 1963 setting out general principles for the implementation of a common policy on vocational training
- C having regard to the resolution of the Council and Ministers of Education of 13 December 1976
- D having regard to the recommendation of the Commission of 6 July 1977 concerning the preparation of young people for working life,
- E having regard to the Council resolution of 18 December 1979 concerning linked work and training for young people,
- F whereas it is henceforth important to show consideration for the rights of workers in the Community by setting up a European social security area,
- G whereas in 1978 nearly 2.5 million young people in the Member States left school without having received any training,
- H whereas young people of 14 to 24 years of age account for 16.3% of the population of the EEC, 17.2% of the potential workforce and 41.4% of those without work,
- I whereas there is a widening gap between the type of young people arriving on the employment market and the jobs on offer, particularly in terms of levels and types of qualifications and working conditions,
- J whereas schools are today incapable of providing the training and practical experience which would ease the transition to working life,
- 1. Calls on the Council of Ministers to define a forceful Community policy to encourage the vocational training of young people;
- 2. Welcomes any initiative which, at Community level, encourages:
 - a access to part-time training for young workers who have received no recognized form of training:
 - b the extension of the activities of secondary education institutions and universities to include part-time general and vocational training;

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- c the promotion, under collective agreements, of arrangements such as the combination of training and employment contracts;
- d the setting up of a permanent vocation information and guidance system,
- 3. Requests the Council of Ministers to introduce a Community vocational training action plan for young people on the basis of the Commission's recommendation of 4 July 1977:
- 4. Stresses that vocational guidance for young people must be designed to make them aware of belonging to a community whose culture and values are based on the work ethic:
- 5. Recommends, to this effect, that this type of training be accompanied by courses in the history of labour and social legislation.

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