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MOTION FOR A RESOLUTION

tabled by Mr GLINNE, Mr SIEGLERSCHMIDT, Mr ABENS, Mr ADAM, Mr ALBERS, Mr ARFE, Mr ARNDT, Mrs BUCHAN, Mr CABORN, Mr CARILIA, Mrs CASTLE, Ms CLWYD, COHEN, Mr COLLA, Mr COLLINS, Mrs CRESSON, Mr Mr DANKERT, Mr DELMOTTE, Mr DELORS, Mrs DESMOND, Mr DIDO, Mr ENRIGHT, Mr ESTIER, Mr FICH, Mrs FOCKE, Mr FRIEDRICH, Mrs FUILLET, Mr GALLAGHER, Mr GATTO, Mrs GREDAL, Mr GRIFFITHS, Mr PETERSEN, Mrs HERKLOTZ, Mr JAQUET, Mr JOSSELIN, Mr KEY, Mrs KROUWEL-VLAM, Mr LANGE, Mr LEZZI, Mr LINKHOR, Mrs LIZIN, Mr LOMAS, Mr MEGAHY, Mr van MINNEN, Mr MOREAU, Mr MOTCHANE, Mr MUNTINGH, Mr PETERS, Mr PULETTI, Miss QUIN, Mr RADOUX, Mr RIEGER, Mr ROGERS, Mrs ROUDY, Mr RUFFOLO, Mrs SALISCH, Mr SCHMID, Mr SEAL, Mr SEEFLLD, Mr SEELER, Mrs SEIBEL-EMMERLING, Mr VAN MIERT, Mr VERNIMMEN, Mrs VIEHOFF, Mr von der VRING, Mr WALTER, Mrs WEBER, Mr WETTIG, Mrs WIECZOREK-ZEUL, Mr WOLTJER and Mr ZAGARI on behalf of the Socialist Group with request for debate by urgent procedure pursuant to Rule 14 of the Rules of Procedure on the recruitment procedure in the institutions of the European Communities, particularly in relation to the Greek candidates.

The European Parliament,

- having regard to the provisions governing the recruitment of officials to the European Communities,
- whereas these provisions forbid any preference or discrimination on the basis of a candidate's race, philosophical or political views or sex,
- whereas a certain degree of participation by Member States is necessary in the scrutiny of applications,
- whereas experience shows that such participation provides a Member State with the opportunity to influence the recruitment procedure by a bias in its selection of candidates put forward and by the kind of information on candidates sent to the appointing authority,
- convinced that particular care must be exercised when recruiting officials from a new Member State such as Greece to avoid the government of that Member State exerting any influence which runs counter to the principles of recruitment,

calls on the Commission of the European Communities

- to ensure that, in the selection of applications for posts in categories A, B, C and D, candidates who apply direct to the institutions of the European Community without any prior involvement of the Member State and those who are nominated by the Member States concerned have equal chances of success;
- to assume responsibility, as far as possible, for obtaining certain information of a personal nature on the candidates (eg. extract from police records);
- to notify candidates of any information that might be obtained directly by the appointing authority;
- to inform especially those candidates who have been rejected because of their negative attitude towards the European Community of the grounds for this decision;
- 5. to inform Parliament how many candidates have been rejected because of their negative attitude towards the European Community and how many officials have been dismissed on these grounds in recent years, in both cases broken down by nationality;

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- 6. to take all appropriate precautions to ensure either by invoking the Staff Regulations or otherwise, that no political bias influences the selection of candidates nominated by the Greek Government, particularly for Category A posts;
- 7. instructs its President to forward this resolution to the President of the Commission of the European Communities.

Justification of urgency:

In view of the imminent accession of Greece to the European Community the selection procedures for the recruitment of Greek applicants to posts with the Community institutions is already well under way and therefore urgency is called for.

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