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MOTION FOR A RESOLUTION

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on behalf of the Socialist Group

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

on the ~~/~~ British steel industry

The European Parliament,

- having regard to the views expressed by representatives of the British trade union movement, British steel employers and representatives from the regions most adversely affected at the hearing on the British steel industry organized by its Committee on Social Affairs and Employment on 21 February 1980,
 - having regard to the announcement that there are to be thousands of redundancies in the British steel industry,
 - having regard to the fact that decisions affecting the future of several regions have been taken with little prior consultation and without sufficient consideration for the social effects of such decisions,
 - having regard to the fact that very few possibilities exist for the redeployment of workers in the areas affected by redundancies because of already existing high levels of unemployment,
 - having regard to the knowledge that one job in the steel industry generates many jobs in other industrial and commercial sectors,
1. Believes that the proposals for redundancies should be revoked and that there should be urgent and serious consultation with the trade unions about any reorganization plans for the steel industry and that, during this period, all proposals for redundancies should be suspended;
 2. Instructs its President to forward this resolution to the Council and Commission.

Justification

Urgency is justified by the fact that the implementation of these redundancies has been scheduled to commence from 31 March 1980.