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MOTION FOR A RESOLUTION

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on behalf of the Socialist Group

pursuant to Rule 25 of the Rules of Procedure

on the facilities to be accorded to Members
of the European Parliament who, in the course
of their duties, carry out investigations in
the Member States

The European Parliament,

- taking note of the difficulties encountered, in particular in France, by Members of the European Parliament who wish, in the course of their duties, to obtain information from public authorities and administrations,
 - deploring the attitude of the French administration, which refused to have any contacts with a Member because he was a Member of the European Parliament,
 - considers it perfectly justified that Members should seek information from the Member States, on the application of Community law or the use of Community funds,
 - noting with extreme concern that officials of the Commission encounter the same kind of difficulties when they try, in France particularly, to establish contacts with the local authorities,
 - whereas Members of the European Parliament may be called upon in the course of their duties to carry out fact-finding trips in the Member States.
1. Emphasizes that the European Parliament must be able to carry out efficiently the role assigned to it;
 2. Asks all the Member States to take measures to enable Members of the European Parliament to perform their duties fully and properly;
 3. Considers that an appropriate amendment to the Protocol on Privileges and Immunities of the European Communities should be adopted;
 4. Instructs its President to forward this resolution to the Commission, the Council and the Member States.