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MOTION FOR A RESOLUTION

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pursuant to Rule 25 of the Rules of Procedure

on the financing of a project for the construction of an All-Purpose Centre for European Youth in the Trulli and Grotte regions.

THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT,

- whereas some of the 50,000 Trulli cottages to be found in the historic area comprising eight communes in the provinces of Bari, Brindisi and Taranto are extremely old, some even dating from the Mycenaean era, and, for lack of maintenance are collapsing as a result of the way in which they were built,
 - whereas the large-scale emigration from this district has led to farms and buildings being abandoned in an area containing much of natural, artistic and human interest,
 - whereas the Interprovincial Consortium of the Trulli and the Grotte region has drawn up a plan for the construction of an All-Purpose Centre for European Youth organized in such a way as to encourage contact with the local country people, the houses and farms of these farmers being included in the Centre after being suitably renovated as well as the buildings and monuments from various eras,
 - whereas the project also envisages centres for scientific research and archaeology, university courses allowing experimentation in animal husbandry, agriculture and handicrafts, facilities for traditional country handicrafts, artistic activities and conferences, all of these designed to encourage cultural exchanges between young people,
 - whereas the European character of the enterprise is emphasized by the consortium's decision to award the contract for the design of the complex to the winners of a competition open to all EEC citizens,
1. Wishes the European Community to contribute at least 50,000 million lire to the project, which will make it possible both to save an important artistic heritage and to provide a resort for young people of considerable cultural interest with a large number of activities;
 2. Instructs its President to forward this resolution to the Council and Commission of the European Communities.