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MOTION FOR A RESOLUTION

tabled by Mr LOMAS, Mrs CLYWD, Mr FELLERMAIER,
Miss QUIN, Mr KEY, Mr BOYES, Mrs CASTLE,
Mr GAUTIER, Mr SEAL, Mr RADOUX, Mr LYNGE,
Mr GLINNE, Mr ENRIGHT, Mrs BUCHAN, Mr ADAM,
Mr GALLAGHER, Mr GRIFFITHS, Mr CABORN,
Mr COLLINS, Mrs WIECZOREK-ZEUL and Mr PELIKAN

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

on European companies operating in South Africa

The European Parliament,

- deploring the fact that many European companies operating in South Africa are not paying the wages stipulated under the EEC Code of Conduct of 50% above the minimum wage,
 - noting that many companies are not fulfilling the Code of Conduct in the field of desegregation and trade union recognition,
 - noting that, although the Code lays down that parent companies should publish each year a detailed report on the progress made in applying the Code, this is not being carried out or is being done in a misleading way,
1. Calls on the Commission to publish the names of all companies at present breaking the Code of Conduct;
 2. Calls on the Governments of the Member States to take the necessary action to ensure that the Code of Conduct is strictly applied by all companies operating in South Africa;
 3. Instructs its President to forward this resolution to the Commission and the Governments of the Member States.

JUSTIFICATION

Urgent procedure is justified by recent disclosures in the British press that companies are breaking the Code of Conduct.