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### MOTION FOR A RESOLUTION

tabled by Mr CAPANNA, Mr PISANI,  
Mrs CASSANMAGNAGO CERRETTI, Mr D'ANGELOSANTE,  
Mr BETTIZA, Mrs LIZIN, Mr RUMOR, Mrs SPAAK,  
Mr PURVIS, Mr van MINNEN, Mr GENDEBIEN,  
Mr CECEOVINI, Mr MUNTINGH, Mr COPPIETERS,  
Mrs CASTELLINA, Mrs MACCIOCCHI, Mr PANNELLA,  
Mrs DEKKER, Mr de GOEDE, Mr DIDO', Mr BONACCINI,  
Mr MACARIO, Mr FERRERQ, Mr VERONESI, Mr IPPOLITO,  
Mrs SQUARCIALUP, Mrs BARBARELLA, Mr FERRI,  
Mr PULETTI, Mr BLANEY, Mr FILIPPI, Mr GHERGO,  
Mr LIMA

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

on the Council of Ministers' failure to approve  
the 'SEVESO' directive

The European Parliament,

- having regard to the Council's failure at its meeting of 30 June to adopt the proposal for a directive on the major accident hazards of certain activities, better known as the 'Seveso' directive,
  - aware that this failure to adopt the proposal for a directive was due to the opposition of one of the governments of the nine Member States, particularly with regard to Article 9 of the proposal which requires the other Member States to supply each other with information if one Member State believes, on the basis of notification pursuant to the directive, that there is a major accident hazard to the population and the environment in one or more other Member States resulting from an industrial activity carried out on its territory,
  - bearing in mind the serious incidents which have occurred in recent years at Flixborough (United Kingdom) in 1974; Beek (the Netherlands) in 1975; Manfredonia and, in particular, Seveso (Italy) in 1976,
  - having regard to the debate and vote of 17 and 19 June 1980 on the report drawn up by the Committee on the Environment on the 'Seveso Directive',
1. Calls on the Council to adopt the 'Seveso Directive' as a matter of urgency (Doc. 1-265/79);
  2. Instructs its President to forward this resolution to the Council of the European Communities.

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JUSTIFICATION FOR URGENT PROCEDURE

The dangers to human life resulting from the failure to adopt the directive in question.

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