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MOTION FOR A RESOLUTION

tabled by Mr M. SELIGMAN on behalf of
the European Democratic Group

pursuant to Rule 25 of the Rules of Procedure

on the energy strategy following the Venice
Summit of 23 June 1980

The European Parliament,

- mindful that economic growth and employment in the industrial countries and ACP members of the Lomé Convention have been undermined by successive large increases in oil prices,
- 1. Calls on the Council and the Commission to implement the policy decisions of the Energy Council, May 1980, and the Venice Economic Summit, June 1980, to combat oil-induced inflation;
- 2. Emphasizes its full support for the following decisions of the Council;
 - (i) to reduce oil consumption in the Community from 55% now to 40% of total primary energy consumption by 1990
 - (ii) to raise the share of coal and nuclear power in electricity generation from 50% to 75% in 1990.
- 3. Calls in particular on the Council and Commission to give priority to the following actions in order to achieve the above Community targets:
 - (a) to submit an energy investment programme for the Community
 - (b) to promote oil conservation measures throughout the Community in electricity generation, transport, space heating and industry
 - (c) to encourage the production and use of coal throughout the Community and ACP members of the Lomé Convention supplemented by imported coal where necessary
 - (d) to promote the enhanced use of nuclear power for electricity generation throughout the Community
 - (e) to promote the commercial production of synthetic fuels in the Community and ACP members of the Lomé Convention;
- 4. Calls on the Council and Commission to encourage an increase in the use of renewable energy resources in the Community and also in ACP members of the Lomé Convention;
- 5. Requires the Council and Commission to submit to Parliament by June 1981 a report on the means to achieve the given targets on the foregoing priority actions and to state the costs involved and sources of funding;
- 6. Requests its President to transmit this motion for resolution to the Council, the Commission, the governments of Member States, of the partner states of the Lomé Convention and of other interested developing countries.