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MOTION FOR A RESOLUTION

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with request for urgent debate
pursuant to Rule 14

on the situation in El Salvador

The European Parliament,

- having regard to its resolution of 18 April 1980 condemning the assassination of Archbishop Romero in El Salvador¹,
 - having regard to the statement by the outgoing American President that the supply of arms to the ruling junta in El Salvador is being stepped up,
 - adhering strictly to its policy of non-interference,
1. Is perturbed by this decision, which will intensify and prolong the civil war currently being waged in El Salvador;
 2. Is greatly concerned that this decision will cause the bloody fighting in this country to assume international proportions;
 3. Fears that this decision will render the political and economic situation in South America even more unstable;
 4. Calls on all countries, and in particular the United States, to refrain from any action which might aggravate the civil war in El Salvador, and thereby help to alleviate the appalling suffering of the people of that country;
 5. Calls on the Foreign Ministers meeting in political cooperation to make immediate provision for humanitarian aid to be provided for the people of El Salvador;
 6. Instructs its President to forward this resolution to the Council and Commission, the Government of El Salvador and the President of the United States.

JUSTIFICATION

The decision of the US Government of 13 January 1981 to resume and increase its supply of arms to the Junta of El Salvador.

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See O.J. No. C 117, 12.5.1980, p.74