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### MOTION FOR A RESOLUTION

tabled by Mr de la MALENE, Mr LALOR, Mr NYBORG,  
Mrs EWING, Mr ANSQUER, Mr CLEMENT, Mr COUSTE, Mr CRONIN,  
Mr DAVERN, Mr DELEAU, Miss DE VALERA, Mr DOUBLET,  
Mr FANTON, Mr FLANAGAN, Mrs FOURCADE, Mr GERONIMI,  
Mr ISRAEL, Mr de LIPKOWSKI, Mr REMILLY, Mr TURCAT,  
Mr VIE and Mrs WEISS

on behalf of the Group of European Progressive  
Democrats

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

on the situation in the textile and clothing industry

The European Parliament,

- concerned at the deterioration in the state of the textile and clothing industry which has now reached intolerable limits,
  - deploring the absence of any vigorous decisions from the Commission or the European governments,
  - aware that a reduction in imports would enable our textile industries to win back the European markets and recover their strength before embarking on a new economic battle,
1. Calls for the renegotiation of the Multifibre Arrangement;
  2. Recommends that all imports be subject to quotas expressed as a percentage and not a quantity in relation to their potential sales in the Common Market;
  3. Welcomes the introduction of customs duties which are levied in all countries, in particular the USA;
  4. Calls for the reduction and monitoring of imports into the Community of goods manufactured by multinational undertakings established in developing countries;
  5. Demands the introduction for intra-Community trade of country-of-origin labels, backed up by proper surveillance, to prevent any deflection of trade;
  6. Instructs its President to forward this resolution to the Commission and Council.

Justification of the request for urgent debate

Emergency measures are required to alleviate the serious problems faced by textile and clothing undertakings.