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MOTION FOR A RESOLUTION

tabled by Mr CALVEZ, Mr REMILLY, Mr DE GUCHT, Mrs SCRIVENER, Mr DELOROZOY, Mr ROSSI, Mr SABLE, Mr DONNEZ, Mr BETTIZA, Mr DELEAU, Mr ANSQUER, Mr CECOVINI, Mr BEYER de RYKE, Mr PONIATOWSKI, Mr BANGEMANN, Mr BERKHOUWER, Mr FANTON, Mrs DIENESCH, Mrs CHOURAQUI, Mr GILLOT, Mr BUCHOU, Mr DELATTE, Mr BAUDIS, Mr CLEMENT and Mrs PRUVOT

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

on the common fisheries policy

The European Parliament,

- having regard to the complexity of the issues raised by the crisis in the European fishing industry, in which geographical, legal, technical, economic and social factors are involved,
- having regard to the scale of the present difficulties, the need to adapt the management of fishing companies to the requirements of our age and the practical situation of a number of fishermen,
- whereas the crisis in the European fishing industry has recently given rise to industrial unrest in the Member States,
- Calls on the Council to inform it of the state of progress on the fisheries question following moves by the Member States to encourage the Commission to speed up implementation of the common fisheries policy and a review of the organization of the market in fisheries products;
- 2. Wishes to be apprised of the likely timetable of meetings of the Council of Ministers responsible for fisheries from the present time to the end of the year, and of the measures it proposes to take to overcome the rigid positions taken by some Member States on the allocation of the total authorized catch for the six main species of fish;
- 3. Calls on the Council to fulfil its undertakings given on 30 May 1980 to reach an agreement by 30 December;
- 4. Instructs its President to forward this resolution to the Council and governments of the Member States.

JUSTIFICATION

There are little more than three months to 31 December 1980, the date fixed by the Council for implementation of a common fisheries policy.

Parliament has a duty to follow developments in this area closely and wishes to be regularly informed.