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to the report by Mrs Tove NIELSEN
drawn up on behalf of the Committee on Social Affairs
and Employment
on the problem of migrant workers

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OPINION

of the Committee on Economic and Monetary Affairs

PE 84.870/fin./Ann.

Dear Mr Chairman,

At its meeting of 17/19 October 1983¹ the Committee on Economic and Monetary Affairs considered the motion for a resolution by Mr KYRKOS on emigrants in Europe and their countries of origin (Doc. 1-209/83).

The Committee on Economic and Monetary Affairs is aware of the fact that foreign workers are the first to have been affected by the current economic recession in the Community and that this explains why thousands of immigrants wish to return to their country of origin.

In view of the major contribution made by foreign labour to the economic development of the host countries and the often precarious economic situation in the countries of origin, the committee is equally convinced that the return of these foreign workers should be arranged on the best possible conditions.

The committee is therefore in favour of the solutions advocated in the motion for a resolution, particularly the initiatives at Community level and with the participation of all the parties concerned, to establish either investment programmes in the countries of origin or programmes for the reintegration of immigrants into their own national environment.

The Committee on Economic and Monetary Affairs therefore calls the committee responsible to examine whether it is a practical possibility to implement the proposals put forward in paragraph 1 of the motion for a resolution.

Yours sincerely,

(sgd) Jacques MOREAU

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Mr MOREAU, chairman, Mr Von BISMARCK, Mr BONACCINI, Mr I. FRIEDRICH, Mr HERMAN, Mr LEONARDI, Mrs T. NIELSEN, Mr NORDMANN, Mr OUZOUNIDIS (deputizing for Mrs DESOUCHES), Mr Van ROMPUY, Mr VETTER (deputizing for Mr MIHR) and Mr WELSH