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MOTION FOR A RESOLUTION

tabled by Mr KYRKOS

pursuant to Rule 47 of the Rules of Procedure

on a development programme for goat and sheep breeding  
on the Greek islands

PE 85.816



The European Parliament,

having regard to:

- A - the decline in farming and especially of stockbreeding on the islands in recent years,
- B - the conditions in which agriculture is practised on the islands,
- C - the fact that goat and sheep breeding has always been an important sector of employment for the island population and ensured them a supply of essential livestock products such as meat, milk, butter, yoghurt, etc,
- D - the fact that stockbreeding has provided employment for a large number of persons on the islands and has supplemented plant and fishing production,

given that:

- E - stockbreeding production in Greece is insufficient to meet the needs of the Greek market,
- F - there is inadequate consumption of meat and of the livestock products on the islands,
- G - stockbreeding products are not subject to the immediate danger of deterioration and can be preserved for quite long periods of time.

Calls on the Commission, in collaboration with the Greek Government to draw up and implement a pilot project for the development of goat and sheep breeding on one of the Greek islands with a view to gathering the necessary data so as to enable this project to be extended to all the Greek islands and to other regions of Greece. This project should incorporate the following measures:

1. the organization, improvement and management of the pastures of the island in question and the development of livestock production,
2. the selection of farmers to constitute the backbone of the project



3. the laying down of aid for increasing the livestock population, for investments for mechanical equipment and shelter for animals and compensation to all producers on the island,
4. better health protection and the genetic improvement of the stock of animals,
5. the meeting of social and cultural conditions so as to ensure that the population is able to live comfortably in their place of residence,
6. the laying down of aid for the producers' organizations for the processing and standardization of products and for providing the infrastructure which is essential for the marketing, transportation and disposal of livestock production (milk precooling centres, slaughterhouses, dairies and freezers, etc.)

Instructs its President to forward this resolution to the Commission, the Council of Ministers and the Member States.

