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MOTION FOR A RESOLUTION

tabled by Mr de la MALENE and Mr ISRAEL
on behalf of the Group of European Progressive Democrats

with request for urgent and topical debate
pursuant to Rule 48 of the Rules of Procedure,

on the situation in Turkey

PE 87.008
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The European Parliament,

- A. having regard to the special place that is Turkey's by virtue of its strategic position and its role in relation to the balance of power throughout the world and especially in Europe,
 - B. whereas Turkey has had to deal with an attack from within the country that was threatening the structures of the state and its very existence,
 - C. whereas the operation of democratic institutions has been suspended in Turkey,
 - D. whereas civil liberties and political and trade union freedoms have still not been restored despite the commitments undertaken by the government,
1. Calls on the Turkish Government:
 - (a) to restore civil and political rights to all Turkish citizens regardless of their opinions, their political past or their aspirations for the future,
 - (b) to reject any state of emergency, arbitrary arrests, the absence of fair trials before independent courts, the deprivation of trade union freedoms,
 - (c) to restore to the Turkish people its full sovereignty by means of free elections.
 2. Calls on the Turkish authorities to call a halt
 - . to the death sentence for political crimes,
 - . to all forms of torture in prisons.
 3. Condemns the terrorist attacks perpetuated on Turkish diplomats and ordinary citizens, mainly in Europe.
 4. Is convinced that a full and genuine return to democracy in Turkey would improve the international climate.
 5. Considers that the situation referred to in the above paragraphs is detrimental to the economic and legal ties that bind Turkey to the Community.
 6. Hopes that Turkey will resume its place among the democracies of Europe.
 7. Instructs its President to forward this resolution to the Council, the Commission and the Foreign Ministers meeting in political cooperation.