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MOTION FOR A RESOLUTION

tabled by

Mr BROEKSZ, on behalf of the Socialist Group

- with request that it be dealt with by urgent procedure pursuant to Rule 14 of the Rules of Procedure -

on

the measures taken by the Council to improve its decision-making procedures

The European Parliament,

- having regard to Paragraph 15 of the declaration issued at the end of the Conference of Heads of State or Government in October 1972, which includes a stipulation that the Council will take practical steps before 30 June 1973 'to improve its decision-making procedures and the cohesion of Community action';
- noting that the Council was unable to keep to the above-mentioned date and did not decide on a first series of practical measures until its meeting of 23 and 24 July 1973;
- noting further that this first series of measures will not lead to a basic improvement of the Council's decision-making procedures and the cohesion of Community action since they only apply to a small number of marginal phenomena;
- emphasizing again that an end must be put to a situation in which almost 400 Commission proposals await a Council decision and night sittings are frequently necessary;
- 1. Expresses its dissatisfaction with the first series of practical measures taken by the Council to improve its decision-making procedures;
- 2. Requests the Council to fix a date by which it will take effective measures:
- 3. Instructs its President to forward this resolution to the Council and Commission of the European Communities and to the governments of the Member States.