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MOTION FOR A RESOLUTION

tabled by Mr BATTERSBY

pursuant to Rule 47 of the Rules of Procedure

on a Mediterranean Coastal Development Centre

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The European Parliament,

- A. in view of the need for the Community to fully and effectively utilize its resources in its coastal regions, particularly in the Mediterranean,
 - B. in view of the fact that many Mediterranean coastal regions belong to the Peripheral Maritime Regions of the EEC,
 - C. in view of the fact that several of these regions are in Greece, and that Greece has the largest coastline relative to its land mass in the Community,
 - D. in view of the heavy economic dependence of Greece on the rational development of its coastal zone and the resources thereof,
 - E. in view of the fact that all Mediterranean states in the Community have common problems in their coastal regions, and share the common desire to conserve, develop and share the natural fisheries resources, to increase supplies of fish and shellfish through aquaculture, to reduce marine pollution, and develop and improve tourist and recreational facilities,
 - F. in view of the need to take a common approach to the resolution of these problems,
 - G. in view of the need to concentrate efforts of the greatest degree possible and to avoid duplication of studies, investigations, trials and evaluations,
 - H. in view of the fisheries expertise already available at the Institute of Oceanography and Fisheries Research in Athens (IOKAE) the Department of Physiology at Ioannina University, the station for applied aquaculture at Patras, the University of Thessalonika, and at the Hydrobiological station on Rhodes, and also in view of the facilities established or envisaged at Missolonghi, Amvrakikos, Kolpos, Louros, Mytilene and in Thraee,
1. Considers that urgent consideration be given to co-ordinating Community activity in this sector by the creation in Greece of a Community Mediterranean Centre for Coastal Management and Development, covering coastal fisheries and aquaculture, environmental control, especially in the field of marine pollution, and tourist development, this centre to embrace the interests of all Member States in the Mediterranean region;
 2. Instructs the President to forward this resolution to the Commission and the Council of Ministers.