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MOTION FOR A RESOLUTION

tabled by Mr KYRKOS

pursuant to Rule 47 of the Rules of Procedure

on emigrants in Europe and their countries
of origin

PE 84.380

The European Parliament,

whereas:

- A. there are within the boundaries of Europe many thousands of emigrants who would like to return to their countries,
 - B. the economic recession in which the countries of the Community have found themselves in recent years has had a particularly serious effect on emigrants,
 - C. unemployment has provoked the appearance of manifestations of racism directed against emigrants,
 - D. the development of their countries of origin would make it easier for emigrants to return to their countries, and the experience and specialist skills probably acquired by emigrants could be of use in the development of their countries of origin, particularly as far as Greece is concerned,
 - E. emigrants' savings could be a source of funding for various development programmes in emigrants' countries of origin,
 - F. opportunities for investment exist in the countries of origin, and such investment would revive the various regions of southern Europe which are already the disadvantaged regions of the Community,
1. Requests the Commission to take the initiative of convening a meeting of the countries of origin and reception of emigrants with an interest in the matter, and of the emigrants' own organizations, to discuss:
 - (a) cooperative-based investment programmes in the countries of origin,
 - (b) the financing of such programmes, (c) the employment of emigrants and their children in such investment programmes, (d) emigrant housing programmes, (e) education programmes for emigrants' children, and
 - (f) emigrant reintegration programmes;
 2. Instructs its President to forward this motion for a resolution to the Commission, the Council of Ministers and the Governments of Member States of the Community.