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MOTION FOR A RESOLUTION

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pursuant to Rule 47 of the Rules of Procedure

on the crisis in the canning industry in Campania

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The European Parliament,

- A. whereas the canning industry in Campania, representing as it does the link between agriculture and industry, is one of the most sensitive sectors,
- B. whereas with 5,000 permanent and 25,000 seasonal workers it is an essential feature of the economy of the Campania region,
- C. whereas misuse of the EEC premium further aggravates the crisis in the sector, making it less profitable to grow and in particular to process tomatoes for industrial use,
- D. perturbed by the prospect of a drastic and substantial cut in the Community subsidy for the processing of tomatoes, involving a major reduction in favour of wine and oil, products which are now viewed more favourably by the Ministry of Agriculture,
 - 1. Calls for a review of the premium mechanisms in order to rationalize the fruit and vegetable processing industry;
 - 2. Hopes that the EEC premium will not encourage single-crop farming, which is too susceptible to market crises;
 - 3. Considers that, in the context of measures to reorganize both agriculture and industry, the European Community should fix an annual ceiling on agricultural production and on related production in the processing industry to enable the latter to be adjusted each year to market requirements, thereby preventing possible industrial surpluses, which are even more harmful than agricultural surpluses;
 - 4. Proposes that for each undertaking the ceiling should be based on average production in the first five years of Community aid, as is, moreover, already provided for by the Community provisions in relation only to the last three years;
 - 5. Instructs its President to forward this resolution to the Commission and the Council.