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MOTION FOR A RESOLUTION

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Mr AIGNER, Mr NYBORG, Mr SEEFELD, Mrs ROUDY,
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Mr SHERLOCK, Mr O'CONNELL, Mr ALBER and
Mrs SEIBEL-EMMERLING

with request for urgent debate

pursuant to Rule 14 of the Rules of Procedure

on the development of better cooperation between
Parliament and Council

The European Parliament,

- noting that one year has already elapsed since the first direct elections by universal suffrage to the European Parliament,
- recognizing that during this time considerable progress has been achieved in improving the relationships between the Community institutions and in particular between Parliament and the Council,
- believing nevertheless that there is much scope for further progress in this area and that certain measures should now be adopted as a matter of urgency,

with regard to improvements to the conciliation procedure

1. Considers that the agreement on conciliation of 4 March 1975 which operates between Parliament, the Council and the Commission should be improved so as to make possible a greater degree of common agreement between the institutions on matters on which Parliament is consulted, including those areas outside the budgetary sphere;

with regard to the character of Council meetings, etc.

2. Takes the view that meetings of the Council, COREPER or specialized Council working groups at which matters falling within Parliament's competence are discussed should be open to representatives of Parliament in the same way that meetings of Parliament and its committees are open to representatives of the Council;
3. Instructs its Bureau and enlarged Bureau to enter into negotiations with the Council with a view to achieving the above aims;
4. Requests the President to report on the results of these negotiations and re-examinations before or during the December 1980 part-session.

JUSTIFICATION

The reason for urgency is evident from the text itself.