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MOTION FOR A RESOLUTION

tabled by Mrs CHARZAT, Mrs PERY, Mr SABY and  
Mrs VAYSSADE

pursuant to Rule 47 of the Rules of Procedure

on public employment agencies

The European Parliament,

- A - having regard to Article 118 of the Treaty of Rome concerning a Community policy on employment,
  - B - having regard to the views presented by the Commission to the Standing Committee on Employment on 22 May and 9 October 1979 (SEC (79) 634 final),
  - C - having regard to the communication from the Commission to the Council of 28 April 1980 (COM(80) 186 final) laying down guidelines for a Community labour market policy,
  - D - whereas it is important from now on to recognize the rights of workers in the Community by establishing a 'European social security area',
  - E - whereas one of the major objectives of the Community is a return to a satisfactory level of employment,
  - F - considering the predominant role of public employment services, recognized by the International Labour Organization, in the registration of vacancies, in placement and in matching (through mobility, vocational training and so on) labour supply and demand,
  - G - considering the difficulties encountered by agencies in being taken seriously by employers as a result, in particular, of uncontrolled competition from private undertakings (temporary employment agencies, private recruitment services, advertising services etc.)
1. Recommends that public employment agencies in all Member States should be given the legal monopoly of placement activities in these countries;
  2. Proposes to the Member States that more be done to assist public employment agencies on the basis of the following guidelines:
    - active participation by employers' and workers' representatives in public placement services as a means of consolidating the latter's role of monitoring the labour market,
    - improvement of facilities for gathering information on vacancies from firms,
    - development of the vocational guidance and counselling services provided by agencies;
  3. Calls on the Council of Ministers to seek ways and means of reaching a consensus in the Community on questions such as worker training or the computerisation of agencies.

## MAIN CHARACTERISTICS OF PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT AGENCIES

CHARACTERISTICS	BELGIUM	DENMARK	GERMANY	FRANCE	IRELAND	ITALY	LUXEMBOURG	NETHERLANDS	U.K.
<b>TITLE</b>	Office National de l'Emploi (ONEM)	Arbejdsdirektoratet	Bundesanstalt für Arbeit	Agence Nationale pour l'emploi (ANPE)	National Manpower Service (NMS)	Ufficio del Lavoro	Administration de l'emploi	Directoraat General voor de Arbeidsvoorziening	Manpower Services Commission (MSC)
<b>STATUS</b>									
Integrated with Ministry of Labour	no	yes	no	no	yes	yes	yes	yes	no
Autonomous agency	yes	no	yes	yes	no	no	no	no	yes
Tripartite management	yes	regular consultation	yes	yes	no	no	regular consultation	regular consultation	yes
Legal monopoly of placement	no	no	yes	yes	no	yes	yes	yes (full-time)	no
<b>FUNCTIONS</b>									
Placement	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
Vocational guidance	yes	yes	yes	yes, in some cases	yes	no	yes	yes	yes
Vocational training	yes	no	yes	no, in general	no	no	no	yes	yes
Assistance with mobility	yes	yes	yes	no	yes	no	no	no	yes
Assistance with job creation	yes	yes	yes	no	yes, in some cases	no	no	no	yes
Unemployment allowance									
- verification	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	no	yes	yes	no
- payment	yes	no	yes	no	no	no	yes	no	no
<b>BASIC FACTS AND FIGURES</b>									
Number of offices	120	287	887	625	28	8,515	4	96	1,018
Number of employees	3,000	1,620	53,000	9,000	78	10,128	60	3,211	15,570

Source: LAVAL report on the 'Coordination of national instruments of employment policy' (ESC 236/76), 1976. National reports on the operation and responsibilities of national employment services (1977-1978).