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MOTION FOR A RESOLUTION

tabled by Mr BLUMENFELD

on behalf of the Political Affairs Committee

on the present state of the Euro-Arab dialogue

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The European Parliament,

- convinced that constructive cooperation between the European Community and the Arab world is in the interests of both sides inasmuch as peace - particularly in the Middle East area - can thereby be brought about and steadily consolidated;
 - in view of the exchange of views conducted thus far within the framework of the Euro-Arab dialogue and its proposed continuation at the higher political level of the 'General Commission';
1. Notes with satisfaction that the participants in the Euro-Arab dialogue have succeeded, at the preparatory technical stage, in setting up the organizational infrastructure needed if the dialogue is to be fashioned into an instrument of cooperation and the balancing of interests;
 2. Hopes that the continued dialogue will now usher in negotiations producing concrete and well-balanced results in the fields of finance, agriculture and industry, technology and energy and cultural affairs;
 3. Affirms that the success of the dialogue depends on a solution being found to the political problems which will permit an effective contribution to peace, allowing all the States of the Middle East - including the State of Israel - to live within secure frontiers recognized by all parties;
 4. Hopes that in the context of the Euro-Arab dialogue particular attention will be paid to the principle of non-discrimination and that actual or threatened boycott measures will not be tolerated;
 5. Calls upon the European Community organs engaged in the Euro-Arab dialogue to ensure that the principles and content of the common commercial policy of the European Communities and the existing formulations of a common overall Mediterranean policy are not watered down but, rather, strengthened;
 6. Instructs its President to forward this resolution to the Parliament and Governments of the Member States of the European Communities and to the Council and Commission.