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MOTION FOR A RESOLUTION tabled by the Socialist Group

with request for debate by urgent procedure pursuant to Rule 14 of the Rules of Procedure

on the common fishery policy

The European Parliament,

- having regard to the failure of the Council of Ministers to agree on the terms of a common internal fishery policy,
- noting the consequences of the extension of fishing zones to 200 miles.
- recognizing the urgent need for an adequate interim arrangement,
- Urges rapid agreement on a temporary interim fishing policy, without prejudice to the solution in the long term on the basis of a Community agreed system of
 - (a) fishing quotas for each Member State,
 - (b) limiting of fishing effort by licensing arrangements,
 - (c) reserved fishing zones,
 - (d) coastal fishing conservation zones policed by the coastal state for the purpose of conservation of Community fish stocks;

such a policy would give due recognition to the historic fishing rights of Member States, the needs of those peripheral coastal regions which are particularly dependend on fishing and the essential requirements of conserving the Community's fish stocks;

2. Instructs its President to forward this resolution to the Council and Commission.