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MOTION FOR A RESOLUTION

tabled by Mr van AERSEN

on behalf of the Group of the European People's
Party (Christian-Democratic Group)

pursuant to Rule 25 of the Rules of Procedure

on the creation of a Foundation of the European
Communities for International Technological and
Scientific Cooperation

The European Parliament,

- aware of the urgent need to transfer, in a suitable manner, the necessary scientific and technological knowledge to the countries of the Third World,
 - having regard to the plans for a Foundation for International Technological Cooperation (FITC) proposed by the President of the United States of America,
 - having regard to the objectives of the ACP and EC countries as jointly defined at the Lomé II Conference,
1. requests the Commission to submit to the European Communities in the near future a proposal for the creation of a foundation of the European Communities for international technological and scientific cooperation defining also its mode of operation;
 2. calls on the Commission to make use of its relations with the countries of the Third World, and particularly the countries of the Lomé II Convention to find out these countries' views regarding the structure and operation of such a foundation, and to take this information as far as possible into account when drawing up its proposal;
 3. recommends the Commission to contact the American Foundation for International Technological Cooperation with a view to possible coordination of the activities of both foundations;
 4. points out that such a new foundation can only operate successfully in its field if it cooperates closely with similar foundations already in existence.