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MOTION FOR A RESOLUTION

tabled by Mr LINKOHR

pursuant to Rule 47 of the Rules of Procedure

on a policy for technology which will lead to the creation of jobs in the poorer regions of the Community

The European Parliament,

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- A. having regard to the profound economic and cultural change that the third technological revolution will bring about,
- B. whereas modernization of the economy alone cannot create full employment,
- C. whereas the gap between rich and poor regions is being further increased by investment in rationalization,
- D. whereas the high level of unemployment in the less developed areas of the Community cannot be dealt with by means of traditional industrial and regional policy,
- E. having regard to the manifold potential of new technologies,
- Believes that the research and technology policy of the Community should take more account of the needs of the less developed areas of the Community;
- Calls upon the regions to make greater use of their innovative potential by, for example, setting up networks of links between craft and agricultural undertakings, schools, higher education establishments and research institutes, to make possible the spontaneous development of new technologies;
- 3. Sees a range of new technologies, e.g. alternative energy technology, as providing a potentially fruitful way of creating new and secure jobs from within existing structures;
- 4. Sees a regionally adapted research policy as providing an opportunity for encouraging the development of new jobs in the poorer regions of the Community;
- 5. Calls on the parliamentary committee responsible for research to examine the necessary preconditions of such a research and development policy and to set them out in an own-initiative report.