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MOTION FOR A RESOLUTION

tabled by Mr GEROKOSTOPOULOS, Mr NEWTON DUNN, Mr ADAM,
Mr LEONARDI and Mrs SCHLEICHER

with request for an early vote, pursuant to Rule 42(5)
of the Rules of Procedure

to wind up the debate on the oral question no. 1-1241/82

on EEC-EFTA free trade agreements

PE 83.179
Or. En.

'The European Parliament,

- A. having regard to the statement by the Council of 20 July 1982 on the occasion of the 10th Anniversary of the signature of the Free Trade Agreements between the EEC and the EFTA countries,
- B. welcoming the importance attached by the Council in that statement to the development of cooperation between the Community and EFTA 'additional to the Free Trade Agreements',
- C. convinced of the need to promote and expand the close links that already exist between the Community and EFTA,
- D. certain that the growing interdependence and identity of views that characterize the 17 countries of the European Free Trade area provide a firm foundation for extending cooperation between the EC and EFTA into numerous non-trade areas, including political cooperation,
- E. having regard to the discussions between its own delegation and a delegation of EFTA parliamentarians in Strasbourg on 9-10 February 1983,
 - 1. Notes with satisfaction the successful implementation of the Free Trade Agreements and expresses the hope that remaining obstacles to trade, in particular non-tariff barriers, should be eliminated as soon as possible;
 - 2. Calls on the Commission of the EC to draw up a list of specific areas in which it believes closer EC-EFTA cooperation to be both desirable and feasible and to submit this list to the Council and to the EP;
 - 3. Urges that every effort be made to identify areas where a common political approach to issues of international importance may be adopted by the Member States of the EC and EFTA with a view to speaking on them with a single voice in the appropriate bodies;
 - 4. Instructs its President to forward this resolution to the Commission, the Council of the European Communities and to the EFTA Councils.'