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~~Resolution~~
MOTION FOR A RESOLUTION

tabled by Mrs CASTLE, Mr GLINNE, Mr COHEN, Mr ARNDT,
Mr CABORN, Mrs GREDAL, Mrs VAN HEMELDONCK,
Mrs HERKLOTZ, Mrs PERY, Mrs van den HEUVEL,
Mrs WIECZOREK-ZEUL, Mr von der VRING, Mr MUNTINGH,
Mr VGENOPOULOS, Mr MOREAU, Mr ADAM, Mr GRIFFITHS,
Mr SABY, Mrs VIEHÖFF, Mrs KROUWEL-VLAM, Mrs FUILLET,
Mrs DURY, Miss QUIN, Mr SEEFELD and Mr JAQUET,
on behalf of the Socialist Group

with request for topical and urgent debate
pursuant to Rule 48 of the Rules of Procedure

on the release of Nelson MANDELA

'The European Parliament,

- A - recalling its resolution calling for the release of Nelson MANDELA and other political prisoners in South Africa;
 - B - deploring the continued imprisonment of Nelson MANDELA and many other Africal National leaders, whose crime in the eyes of the South African Government is that they demand equal political and civil rights for the African people;
 - C - noting that even under South African practice Nelson MANDELA, who has served 20 years in prison, would have been released by now if the South African government had not brutally denied remissions to political prisoners;
 - D - alarmed at the number of deaths among political prisoners held in the custody of the South African security forces;
 - E - noting that the United Nations Special Committee Against Apartheid has nominated 11 October, 1982 the Day of Solidarity with South African Political Prisoners, as the start of a new and wider campaign for the release of Nelson MANDELA and all political prisoners in South Africa;
1. Expresses its strong support for the Solidarity Campaign,
 2. Demands the immediate release of Nelson MANDELA and other political prisoners in South Africa;
 3. Calls on the governments of the Member States of the European Community to bring every pressure to bear on the South African government to recognize political and civil rights of the African people;
 4. Instructs its President to forward this resolution to the Foreign Ministers of the Ten meeting in Political Cooperation and to the Heads of governments of the Member States of the European Community.'