## **EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT**

## Working Documents

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MOTION FOR A RESOLUTION

tabled by Mr GENDEBIEN

pursuant to Rule 47 of the Rules of Procedure

on the failure of the Belgian State to respect the Commission's decisions with regard to regional policy

## The European Parliament,

- A. whereas on 26 April 1972, the Commission took a decision calling on the Belgian Government to amend Belgian legislation on economic grants and regional development zones that was considered to be too favourable to Flanders and unfavourable to Wallonia,
- B. whereas on 22 July 1982, i.e. ten years after the first decision had been taken and in the absence of any action the Commission took another decision censuring the Belgian State and giving it three months to implement it,
- C. whereas the new demarcation of the Belgian zones was not notified to the Commission within the time limit laid down, and whereas a reminder was sent to the Belgian Government on 18 November 1982,
- D. whereas the Belgian State ignores the Commission's injunctions, and whereas the Commission has so far shown extreme indulgence,
- Urges the Commission to institute proceedings against the Belgian Government before the Court of Justice in Luxembourg;
- 2. Instructs its President to forward this resolution to the Council and the Commission of the European Communities.