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MOTION FOR A RESOLUTION

tabled by Mr de la MALENE, on behalf of the
Group of European Progressive Democrats

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

on the gas pipeline contract

PE 80.428

Or. F.

The European Parliament,

A noting:

- that in Afghanistan, as in Poland, direct and indirect action by the Soviet Union is imposing a regime of oppression on the people,
- that, generally speaking, after the present failure of the Madrid Conference, Soviet over-armament and diplomatic and subversive activity have made it impossible to reduce East-West tension,

1. Reaffirms:

- that as regards economic relations between the free world and the socialist world, considerations of policy and security must take priority over all other considerations,
- that, in this sphere, one of the partners has a considerable advantage by virtue of its de facto unity over the other which is made up of a multiplicity of diverse states which makes it necessary for the latter strictly to observe the rules of good conduct,
- that in view of the two considerations above, the countries of the Western world must jointly define their standpoints, with mutual respect for commitments entered into, without discrimination and with an overall sharing of burdens, which means that sacrifices must be borne by both parties and not unilaterally: thus the restrictions called for by certain parties in one sphere or another must not be accompanied by complaints from the same parties about, for example, the European agricultural policy if there is not to be a risk of creating distortions of detriment to all,

2. Asks the Council of Ministers of the Community and the Ministers meeting in political cooperation formally to recall, whenever necessary, for themselves and for others that this will always be their guideline and to draw all the necessary consequences from this for the present and the future.