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MOTION FOR A RESOLUTION

tabled by Mr FERNANDEZ

pursuant to Rule 47 of the Rules of Procedure

on professional sport

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The European Parliament,

- A. having regard to the growing impact of professional sport among the peoples of the European Community;
- B. having regard to the major financing problems faced by certain professional clubs, given the competitive escalation of costs at national and international level;
- C. deeply concerned at the difficulties faced by certain sportsmen in finding further employment at the end of their careers;
 - D. having regard to the specific problems arising in reconciling sporting ethics and the economic facts of life, in particular sponsoring;
 - Requests the Commission to carry out a survey of the various means of financing professional sport used by the organizations concerned within the European Community and to investigate the various policies followed in this connection, with particular regard to the integration of high-level sportsmen;
 - Requests the Commission to draw up directives with a view to raising standards in general and ensuring that a more ethical approach is adopted within this sector;
 - 3. Instructs its President to forward this resolution to the Commission and Council of the European Communities.

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