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MOTION FOR A RESOLUTION

tabled by Mr CLINTON, Mr LIGIOS, Mr FRÜH, Mr DALSASS and

Mr HELMS, on behalf of the Group of the European

People's Party

with request for topical and urgent debate

pursuant to Rule 48 of the Rules of Procedure

on the distortions to trade in the beef and sheepmeat markets

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PE 84.288/rév. Or. En.

## 'The European Parliament,

- A. having regard to the Commission regulation (EEC) No. 1245/82 and No. 1238/82 on the variable slaughter premiums for adult bovine animals and sheep respectively;
- B. whereas the variable premium scheme is implemented in the United Kingdom instead of an intervention system and is cofinanced by the European Commission,
- C. whereas the scheme provides a deficiency payment on each animal slaughtered based on the difference between the target price and the selling price, currently amounting to approximately 20p/kg on beef slaughtered in Northern Ireland,
- D. whereas this subsidy is causing serious distortions of trade in those Member States that import beef or sheep from the United Kingdom;
- Requests the Commission to urgently review the impact of this scheme and to implement short term measures which would restore the balance of trade in the beef and sheepmeat sectors;
- 2. Requests the Commission to reconsider its support for a scheme which has created such serious distortions in the beef and sheepmeat sectors.'