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MOTION FOR A RESOLUTION

tabled by Mrs HOFF, Mrs VIEHOFF and Mr MALANGRE

pursuant to Rule 47 of the Rules of Procedure

on the educational problems of circus and fair children

## The European Parliament,

- A - recognising the inalienable right of each child to an education which allows him or her to play a full part in social, economic and cultural life,
- B - aware of the considerable number of children in the Community who belong to families involved in circuses and fairs, which travel throughout the Community,
- C - concerned at the lack of suitable educational facilities for most of these children, and the lack of information relating to the numbers involved and the extent of their education,
- D - equally concerned that some of these children may be obliged to work, although below the minimum age,
- E - recognising that some Member States have already some facilities for their education,
- F - bearing in mind the work in the area of children's welfare done, and in progress, by the Council of Europe, the ILO and the UN<sup>1</sup>,

### 1. Calls on the Commission:

- to establish as soon as possible the exact number of children concerned, and what facilities already exist;
- to initiate, in conjunction with the Member States and in consultation with organizations which represent the parents of these children, measures which will ensure adequate and appropriate education training for these children, regardless of whichever Community country in which they find themselves;
- to make resources available through the Social Fund, and other Community Policies as appropriate, for the provision of the necessary measures including pilot projects to establish the most suitable models of multi-cultural, multilingual models of education and training;

### 2. Requests its President to forward this resolution to the Commission,

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Council and the Member States.

<sup>1</sup> In particular the Council of Europe's recommendation 874 on an European Charter on the Rights of the Child on the ILO's Convention 138 concerning the minimum age of admission to employment, and the preparation by the ESC of the UN of a Draft Convention on the Rights of the child.