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MOTION FOR A RESOLUTION

tabled by Mr BALFE and Mr LOMAS

pursuant to Rule 47 of the Rules of Procedure

on the denunciation of the violations of the provisions contained in the Final Act of the Conference of Helsinki

PE 82.623

The European Parliament,

- A - having regard to the Final Act of the Conference of Helsinki, and, in particular, the provisions of its sixth and seventh principles,
- B - whereas the Act was intended to be the cornerstone of east-west relations in Europe, its objective being to alleviate the harmful effects for the European nations of the geo-political situation which has arisen in the wake of the Second World War,
- C - whereas some of the signatory states constantly, openly and deliberately violate the spirit and even the letter of the Final Act,
- D - whereas this situation gives particular cause for concern in Great Britain, where a number of women camping outside an American Base at Greenham Common, Berkshire, have been arrested and put in prison,
1. Expresses its solidarity with the victims at Greenham Common Women's Peace Camp, who have been imprisoned in the course of a peaceful protest against the deployment of nuclear weapons;
 2. Requests the British Government to define or reiterate its position on the Final Act and on its provisions relating to the freedom of the individual;
 3. Calls on the Ministers for Foreign Affairs meeting in political cooperation to take solemn note of the violations of the Act committed by or in Great Britain and to create a joint working party to keep a record of such violations;
 4. Calls on the Council and the Commission, using the respective powers conferred on them by the Treaties, to take all necessary steps to ensure that all the provisions of the Final Act of the Conference of Helsinki are effectively implemented in their entirety;
 5. Instructs its President to forward this resolution to the British Government, to the Ministers for Foreign Affairs meeting in political cooperation, to the Council and to the Commission.