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MOTION FOR A RESOLUTION

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pursuant to Rule 47 of the Rules of Procedure

on the need for development of the car industry

The European Parliament,

- A - having regard to the present economic difficulties in the car industry,
- B - having regard to the rising car imports from third countries, especially Japan,
- C - having regard to the need for each Member State to consolidate and develop an industry which is so vital to employment, technical advance and growth,
1. Calls upon the Commission and Council to adopt a most firm stance in trade talks with third countries;
 2. Considers the vital question to be the ways and means of developing the car industry according to need;
 3. Invites each Member State to consider:
 - (a) how outlets for and sales of cars might be increased with particular reference to wage and salary increases among the lowest paid, which would effectively encourage an expansion of the market and of production, as well as questions relating to types of vehicle in terms of their suitability to real needs and to requirements of energy saving, etc.;
 - (b) improvements to productivity (essential to the ability to compete) and to working conditions by the introduction of advanced technology (robotics, flexible production facilities...) and training for the workforce;
 - (c) the requirements for industrial and trade cooperation between the Ten, especially as regards:
 - technological research (research projects on robotics for production lines, energy saving, and raw materials for manufacture ...)
 - upward harmonization of working conditions, higher standards and reductions in working hours
 - imports from third countries (especially Japan), in view of the need to develop the European car industry;
 4. Requests the Commission, Council and the Member States to make proposals to this effect;
 5. Instructs its President to forward this resolution to the Commission, Council and each Member State.