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MOTION FOR A RESOLUTION

tabled by Mr KEY, Mr ALBERS, Mr ARNDT, Mr KALOYANNIS and
Mr LAGAKOS

pursuant to Rule 47 of the Rules of Procedure

on enhancing the job-creating potential of the European Regional
Development Fund

The European Parliament ,

- A. whereas the proportion of EEC regional aid allocated to investment leading directly to the creation of jobs in industry and services fell to only 12% of total regional aid in 1981,
- B. whereas the Commission has recently revealed that fewer jobs were created in 1981 than the average number created in each of the past six years, notwithstanding a 32% increase in ERDF commitment appropriations for 1981,
 - 1. Views with grave concern the fact that, over and above the ever-widening disparities in per capita income and living standards between regions, the Community is apparently failing to exploit the full potential of the ERDF in terms of job creation;
 - 2. Is convinced that the Community must be seen to be in the front line of the fight against unemployment with a view to the 1984 elections to the European Parliament;
 - 3. Instructs its committee responsible to draw up a specific and comprehensive report on means of enhancing the job-creating potential of the European Regional Development Fund;
 - 4. Asks that the local and regional authorities in the Member States, together with both sides of industry, be fully consulted within the context of this report.