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MOTION FOR A RESOLUTION

tabled by Mr FANTI, Mr PIQUET, Mr VERGES, Mr FERRERO and Mrs BOSERUP, on behalf of the Communist Group

with a request for a topical and urgent debate pursuant to Rule 48 of the Rules of Procedure

on the events in Lesotho

PE 82.080 Or. Fr.

The European Parliament,

- A. outraged by the murderous aggression just perpetrated by South Africa in Lesotho, a party to the Lomé Convention, where the ACP/EEC Joint Committee met in 1977 and condemned apartheid for the first time,
- B. deeply concerned by the threat of execution hanging over the militant members of the African National Congress, Johannes SHABANGU, Anthony TSOTSOBE and David MOISE whose appeal has been rejected by the Bloemenfeld court and for whom clemency has been requested by UNO,
- C. having regard to its earlier resolutions and that of the ACP/EEC Consultative Assembly which condemned the South African Government's apartheid policy and the frequent attacks by that country against the front-line countries,
- 1. Condemns yet again the aggressive policy of South Africa;
- Invites the Member States, the Commission and the Council to exert the necessary pressure to ensure that such aggression is not repeated, thus implementing the resolution adopted in Rome by the ACP/EEC Consulative Assembly;
- 3. Appeals to the international community to make representations to the South African Government to save the three black militants under sentence of death;
- 4. Demands in this context clemency for these three militants whose actions are the consequence of the apartheid policy;
- 5. Instructs its President to forward this resolution to the Council, the Commission and the Foreign Ministers meeting in political cooperation.