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MOTION FOR A RESOLUTION tabled by Mrs PRUVOT

on behalf of the Liberal and Democratic Group

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

on the effects of the catastrophic snowfalls in the departments of Loire, Rhône and Haute Loire

## The European Parliament,

- A Having regard to the very heavy snow which fell on 28 and 29 November 1982 in central France, especially in the St Etienne Lyon Rhone triangle
- B Having regard to the extent of the catastrophe and the unpredictable nature of this winter onslaught;
- C Whereas about 300,000 homes were without electricity for several days;
- D Whereas the period for repairing the damage could be rather prolonged;
- E Whereas the normal activities of the areas hit by the catastrophe are still paralysed in various sectors;
- F Whereas the damage has affected public property (roads, electric power lines, railway tracks), private property (roofs having collapsed under the weight of the snow) and production sectors (agriculture, forests, craft industries);
  - 1. Requests that the Commission use the various instruments at its disposal to grant emergency aid in addition to the aid supplied at the national level;
  - 2. Instructs its President to forward this resolution to the Commission and the Council of the European Communities.