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MOTION FOR A RESOLUTION

tabled by Mr DE PASQUALE, Mrs BARBARELLA, Mr PAPAPIETRO, Mr FANTI and Mrs SQUARCIALUPI

with request for an early vote pursuant to Rule 47(5) of the Rules of Procedure

to wind up the debate on oral question Doc. 1-299/79

on the /Italo-Tunisian bilateral fisheries agreement

## The European Parliament,

- deeply concerned at the serious tension in the Mediterranean area and in Sicily resulting from the failure to regulate fisheries relations between the European Community and Tunisia,
- concerned also at the seizure of Sicilian fishing boats by Libyan and Maltese military vessels,
- recalling that, under Council Resolution of 3 November 1976, the Community has the authority to negotiate and draw up agreements with third countries on fishing rights in the Community zone and in the waters of those countries,
- wishing to consolidate the ties of cooperation and friendship with the countries of northern Africa,
- 1. Requests the Commission and Council
  - (a) to conclude the fisheries agreement with Tunisia as soon as possible to enable the Sicilian fishing fleet to operate also in Tunisian waters, while observing the measures needed to protect the marine fauna,
  - (b) to open immediate negotiations with a view to concluding fishing agreements also with Libya and Malta,
- 2. Instructs its President to forward this resolution to the Council and Commission.