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MOTION FOR A RESOLUTION

tabled by Mr CALVEZ, Mrs PRUVOT, Mrs MOREAU , Mr DELATTE,
Mr ISRAEL, Mr DELEAU, Mr d'ORMESSON, Mr SIMONNET,
Mr GALLAND and Mr NORDMANN

pursuant to Rule 47 of the Rules of Procedure

on the seat of the Community Trade Mark Office

The European Parliament,

- A. having regard to paragraph 3 of Article 99 of the proposal for a regulation on the Community trade mark (Doc. 1-682/80 - OJ No. C 351, 31 December 1980),
- B. whereas many countries would like to house the seat of the Community Trade Mark Office,
- C. whereas the town in which the Community Trade Mark Office would be situated must fulfil the following conditions:
- it must be in the vicinity of an international airport with flights to all European countries,
 - it must have sufficient hotels to accommodate visitors to the Community Trade Mark Office,
- D. whereas in May FRANCE is celebrating the 100th anniversary of the signing of the Convention of Paris,
1. Notes that French is the only official language of the 'international trade mark' created by the MADRID convention in 1891,
 2. Stresses that FRANCE, as the country which registers the most trade marks in EUROPE, has always been a leader in the field of industrial property,
 3. Therefore proposes the site of SOPHIA-ANTIPOLIS, near NICE, for the seat of the Community Trade Mark Office,
 4. Points out, in this connection, that SOPHIA-ANTIPOLIS already houses the organization supplying French data banks of patents and trade marks for the National Institute for Industrial Property, to which the Community Trade Mark Office could have direct access,
 5. Points out that about a thousand jobs are likely to be created directly or indirectly,
 6. Instructs its President to forward this resolution to the Commission and the Council of the European Communities.