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MOTION FOR A RESOLUTION

tabled by Mr RIPPON and Mr JAKOBSEN  
on behalf of the European Conservative Group

pursuant to Rule 25 of the Rules of Procedure

/ on Zimbabwe settlement

### The European Parliament

- conscious of the importance to Africa of a democratic and economically strong Zimbabwe,
  - noting that outside political forces are seeking to undermine the transitional government of the Rhodesian Council,
  - deploring the support given to Marxist terrorist guerillas,
  - accepting that peace and social progress are the prerequisites for economic development in Zimbabwe,
1. Welcomes the evidence of the emergence of a multiracial democratic consensus in Zimbabwe;
  2. Urges the recognition of the internal settlement, achieved in March 1978, designed to pave the way to free elections,
  3. Applauds the United States' initiative in inviting members of the Rhodesian Council to make a presentation of the internal settlement to world opinion;
  4. Notes and understands the decision of President Kaunda to open his frontier with Zimbabwe for trade,
  5. Draws attention to the fruitful role which the European Community could play in the development of an independent Zimbabwe;
  6. Instructs its President to forward this resolution to the Council and Commission of the European Communities.