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MOTION FOR A RESOLUTION

tabled by Mr WAGNER, Mr GLINNE, Mr ABENS,
Mr MOREAU, Mrs VAYSSADE, Mr DIDO', Mr CABORN
and Mrs NIKOLAOU,
on behalf of the Socialist Group

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

on the crisis in the European steel industry

PE 86.329
Or. Fr.

The European Parliament,

- A. whereas the difficulties experienced by the steel industry have not by any means been resolved since the situation is still worsening in terms both of the quantities produced and of the prices charged,
 - B. whereas in a situation of this kind it is particularly urgent to arrive at a solution to the structural problems,
 - C. having regard to the new protection measures decided by the United States in respect of certain categories of steel,
1. Strongly supports the endeavours of the Commission in seeking to persuade the Government of the United States to abandon new restrictions on imports of certain categories of steel (special steels);
 2. Further to its decision of 19 March 1983, calls upon the Council of Ministers to take a further decision concerning the financial resources to be made available for accompanying social measures proposed by the Commission;
 3. Stresses the need for a decision to be taken on the allocation of part of the appropriations in the non-quota section of the Regional Fund for measures to assist the steel-making regions which are particularly hard-hit by the crisis;
 4. Expresses its strong criticism of the practice of certain dealers in steel products who are tending to market these products at prices below the guide price;
 5. Stresses the need for a decision to be taken without delay to extend the quota system until 1985 and appeals to the Council and to the EUROFER Association to step up their efforts to bring about an agreement;
 6. Pursuant to its resolutions of 18 November 1982 and 19 May 1983, calls upon the Commission and Council to take full account in the context of restructuring as part of the anti-crisis system, of the efforts already made (reduction in production capacities and in the number of jobs) since 1977 in which the Community took its first anti-crisis measures;
 7. Asks for the European steel conference called for by the European Parliament in its May resolution to be organized at long last;
 8. Instructs its President to forward this resolution to the Council of Ministers and the Commission.