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MOTION FOR A RESOLUTION

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Mrs MAIJ-WEGGEN, Mrs GAIOTTI DE BIASE,  
Mr BERSANI, Mr BEUMER, Mr ESTGEN, Mr HERMAN,  
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Mr SEITLINGER and Mr VERGEER

pursuant to Rule 25 of the Rules of Procedure

on South Africa

The European Parliament,

- noting the recent visit to Europe of a fact-finding delegation of leading South Africans,
  - reaffirming the views it has always held on respect for human rights throughout the world,
  - recalling the resolutions on southern Africa adopted by the ACP-EEC Consultative Assembly,
1. Condemns the system of apartheid as an institutionalized violation of basic human rights;
  2. Urges the South African authorities to release the political prisoners it holds and to guarantee, without discrimination, the right of defence as well as fundamental freedoms, both individual and social;
  3. Considers that the European Community and its Member States should coordinate more efficiently and step up the pressure they are able to exert on the South African Government, in particular through economic and trade relations;
  4. Calls on the Foreign Ministers of the Nine in this connection to submit to it a full report on the application of the Code of Conduct by European undertakings, their subsidiaries and branches operating in South Africa, together with a report on compliance with the ban on the sale of weapons;
  5. Calls on its Political Affairs Committee to monitor developments in relations between the Community and South Africa and to draw up a report on this matter at the earliest opportunity;
  6. Instructs its President to forward this resolution to the Council, the Foreign Ministers meeting in political cooperation and the Commission.