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MOTION FOR A RESOLUTION

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pursuant to Rule 25 of the Rules of Procedure

on action by the European Parliament to support the European Court of Justice and the rule of law in the European Economic Community

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The European Parliament,

- Concerned with regard to the vital importance for the Community that all Member States should observe the fundamental principles enshrined in the rule of international law;
- Aware of the vital role of the European Court of Justice as the embodiment of the concept of justice and the rule of law between Member States of the Community;
- Observing that among the basic objectives of the creation of the European Community was the firm establishment of the principle of a legal framework aimed at mutual observance by Member States of the rule of law;
- Notes that all Member States who are signatories to the Treaties have accepted the validity of the European Court of Justice and its rulings
- Regrets that the Government of France remains, notwithstanding the above, in breach of a ruling of the Court;
- Reaffirms that the Parliament itself holds in the very highest accord the continuing observance of the Court and its rulings and the rule of law between Member States;
- 1. Resolves therefore that this House will not assemble in the territory of a Member State which continues in breach of a ruling of the European Court of Justice;
- 2. Instructs the President of the European Parliament to convey the terms of this resolution to the President and Government of the French Republic;
- 3. Instructs the President of the European Parliament to inform the Council of Ministers of this decision;
- 4. Instructs the President of the European Parliament to make the necessary arrangements for future meeting of the Parliament, with regard to the terms of the resolution of this House, so long as the Government of France remains in breach of the ruling of the Court.