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MOTION FOR A RESOLUTION

tabled by Mr MAHER

pursuant to Rule 47 of the Rules of Procedure

on the difficulties in fixing the agricultural prices

recognising the difficulties inherent in fixing of agricultural prices

- A. because of the controversies in discussion to define, understand and explain the objective method for fixing prices;
- B. because of the misconception that agricultural price increases automatically result in an equivalent rise in prices for the consumer;
- C. because of differing inflation rates in the Member States;
- D. because of the enormous prices rises in agricultural goods and equipment used on farms, such as feedingstuffs, fertilisers, energy, services and so on;
- E. because a great deal of the national and community finances used to develop agricultural policy has no effect on the structural development, the agricultural income, or prices for the consumer, due to cumbersome and expensive bureaucracy;
- F. because of the differences in cost-determining factors in Member States and, consequently, of the considerable discrepancies in consumer prices;
- Asks the Commission to draw up a document to enable the Community institutions to determine the price proposals next year in full knowledge of the real costdetermining factors;
- Therefore demands a detailed analysis of these cost-determining factors (such as labour costs, investment costs, taxes);
- 3. Asks the Commission to draw up a document in which the influences of these costdetermining factors on consumer prices is clarified.