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MOTION FOR A RESOLUTION

tabled by Mrs BONINO, Mr COPPIETERS,
Mrs CASTELLINA and Mr BLANEY

pursuant to Rule 25 of the
Rules of Procedure

on the /working conditions of members

The European Parliament,

- noting that Members of the Parliament are badly handicapped in the exercise of their mandates by delay in receiving agendas, minutes, draft reports and other working documents both for committee meetings and for plenary sessions,
 - recognizing that the present staff of the Parliament is working under heavy stress in seeking to meet the increased demands imposed upon it by the increase in the number of Members and their greater involvement in the affairs of Parliament,
 - anxious that the pressure of circumstances should not lead to unsatisfactory practices becoming the rule,
1. Instructs the College of Quaestors to undertake an urgent enquiry into the possibility of using the most up-to-date forms of communications technology to ensure that Members receive documents in good time, involving where possible the Parliament's offices in the member countries;
 2. Calls on the President and the chairpersons of committees to continue to apply strictly the rule whereby deliberations may not take place on a document until it has been available to Members in the Community languages for at least a period of 24 hours.