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MOTION FOR A RESOLUTION

tabled by Mr SCOTT-HOPKINS

on behalf of the European Democratic Group

with request for an early vote
pursuant to Rule 47 (5)

to wind up the debate on oral question
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on the surveillance and protection of shipping
routes for supplies of energy and strategic
materials to the countries of the European
Community

The European Parliament,

- conscious of the Community's dependence on imported oil and raw materials,
 - aware that the Community's supplies of oil and raw materials are to an increasing extent strategically exposed,
 - noting that the supply routes of these materials are principally maritime,
 - warmly welcoming the initiative of the oral question tabled by Mr d'Ormesson and others,
1. Calls on the Foreign Ministers meeting in political cooperation to submit proposals to ensure the security of shipping routes to the Community's waters;
 2. Calls on the Foreign Ministers meeting in political cooperation, to concert surveillance and protection measures for the security of shipping routes with the Governments of Greece, Spain and Portugal;
 3. Calls on the Foreign Ministers meeting in political cooperation to consult those members of the Lomé Convention who are suppliers of raw materials and/or are geographically strategically situated with respect to shipping routes, in order to ensure that cooperative measures are taken in the interest of their territorial integrity and the security of raw materials supplies;
 4. Calls on the Foreign Ministers meeting in political cooperation to explore areas for cooperation in the guarding of oil supply routes in the framework of dialogue with the Gulf States and in the framework of Euro-Arab dialogue;
 5. Notes the role of all the independent states of Southern Africa in ensuring the security of shipping routes around their coasts and their potential role in contributing to their mutual security, including that of their landlocked neighbours, suppliers of strategic materials;
 6. Calls on the Foreign Ministers meeting in political cooperation to report to it on the steps being taken to mobilize the Community's resources to ensure the surveillance and protection of the Community's oil and raw materials supplies and the shipping routes along which they are transported;
 7. Instructs its President to forward this resolution to the Foreign Ministers meeting in political cooperation.