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MOTION FOR A RESOLUTION

tabled by Mr LEZZI, Mr BOYES, Ms CLWYD,  
Mrs SQUARCIALUPI and Mrs DURY

pursuant to Rule 47 of Rules of Procedure  
on a European clearing house for the dissemination  
of information of poverty

PE 87.262

The European Parliament,

- A. having regard to the final report from the Commission to the Council on the first programme of pilot schemes and studies to combat poverty (COM(81) 769 final),
- B. having regard to the report drawn up on behalf of the Committee on Social Affairs and Employment by Mr Boyes on the final report from the Commission to the Council on the first programme of pilot schemes and studies to combat poverty (Doc. 1-1337/82),
- C. having regard to the request from the Commission to the Council - made in the first document and endorsed in the second - for the introduction of a European clearing house for the dissemination of information on experience acquired in combating poverty at European level,
- D. having regard to the unanimous support of all who took part in the debate in the European Parliament (July 1983 part-session) for the setting up of a European clearing house,
- E. having regard to the outcome of the European seminar held at Vallo di Diano (24-25 March 1983), in which the Commission played an active part, and whereas important progress was made at this seminar towards defining the nature and method of operation of the clearing house,
- F. considering as important the support given to the idea at the seminar by international experts, who believe that the clearing house could be set up immediately with a central headquarters in Campania and two regional headquarters in England and Germany, a Community office in Brussels and a network of correspondents in all the countries of the Community,
- G. having regard to the activities of the 'mobile team', which acted as a technical link between the Regional Council of Campania and the Commission during the preparation of the seminar and has been working on the preparations for the clearing house, bearing in mind the specific needs of the earthquake-stricken areas,

1. Considers the establishment of a European clearing house to be essential as an instrument of consultation and information for the Commission and the national governments, and as a link between local authorities, for the dissemination of innovative experiences in the field of health, social services, employment, housing, efforts to combat marginalization and illiteracy, and in all the general sectors connected with poverty;
2. Calls on the Commission of the European Communities to take account in its future proposals to the Council of the conclusions reached at the Vallo di Diano seminar concerning the immediate creation of a European clearing house and, in particular, the establishment of its central headquarters in Campania and its regional headquarters in Germany and England;
3. Calls on the Council of Ministers to act on the future proposals of the Commission;
4. Instructs its President to forward this resolution to the Commission and Council of the European Communities and to the Regional Council of Campania.