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MOTION FOR A RESOLUTION

tabled by Mr BANGEMANN, Mr NORD, Mr BEYER de RYKE, Mr CALVEZ, Mr DAMSEAUX, Mr DELATTE, Mr DONNEZ, Mr GALLAND, Mr GEURTSEN, Mr IRMER, Mr JÜRGENS, Mr LOUWES, Mr HAMILIUS, Mr MAHER, Mrs PRUVOT, Mr MART, Mr BETTIZA, Mr DE GUCHT, Mrs SCRIVENER, Mr HAAGERUP, Mr PININFARINA, Mr CECOVINI, Mr BERKHOUWER and Mr PONIATOWSKI on behalf of the Liberal and Democratic Group with request for urgent debate pursuant to Rule 14 of the Rules of Procedure on the adoption of the supplementary budget for 1980 and the budget for 1981

The European Parliament,

- referring to its decisions of 18 December 1980 concerning the supplementary draft budget for 1980 and the draft budget of the European Communities for 1981,
- pointing out that, under the provisions of the Treaties, these decisions could not be overruled other than by a decision of the Council acting by a qualified majority,
- noting that there has been no such act,
- Notes that under these circumstances it was the clear duty of the President of the European Parliament to implement the Treaties and to declare the budgets concerned adopted;
- Expresses its support for its President, who, in accordance with the rules of parliamentary democracy, has acted in keeping with the votes of the European Parliament;
- 3. Calls for an end to be put to a pointless dispute and expresses the hope that in future the Council will show itself open to genuine budgetary consultation in order to prevent difficulties of this nature from arising;
- Calls on the Institutions of the Community to take all appropriate measures to ensure that the budgets are correctly implemented;
- 5. Instructs its President to forward this resolution to the Council of Ministers and to the Commission.

JUSTIFICATION

The institutional crisis which is threatening the European Community justifies urgent procedure in respect of this motion.