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MOTION FOR A RESOLUTION

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pursuant to Rule 25 of the Rules of Procedure
on the creation in Brittany of a European
centre for research into and action against
pollution and a European data bank

The European Parliament,

- having regard to the volume of tanker traffic off the coasts of Brittany and the subsequent high probability of accidents involving oil, as demonstrated by the six extensive oil spillages from which this areas has already suffered,
 - having regard to the number of qualified researchers based in Brittany, who have already carried out many studies in the field of marine pollution by hydrocarbons (prevention, countermeasures, effects on fauna and flora),
 - having regard to the Commission proposals aimed at promoting and coordinating research in the field of marine pollution and at creating a European data bank to register and coordinate the application of measures to combat hydrocarbon pollution and to enable vessels to be identified,
 - having regard to the proposals for financing these projects by means of a tax imposed on oil companies,
1. Calls for this European centre for research and action and this European data bank to be created in Brittany as soon as possible;
 2. Instructs its President to forward this resolution to the Council and Commission of the European Communities.