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UNANIMOUS VOTE OF THE PARLIAMENT IN FAVOUR OF THE HIGH AUTHORITY'S POLICY

The European Parliament's debate on the High Authority's Twelfth General Report ended with the following resolutions, voted unanimously:

"The European Parliament approves the policies followed by the High Authority, takes note with satisfaction that the High Authority has retaken the initiative in the political field to solve problems of a Community nature and gives its approval for the continuation of these policies."

The President of the High Authority, Mr. Dino Del Bo, thanked the Parliament for this expression of confidence which the High Authority will consider as an increase in its responsibilities as well as support for carrying out its duties.

In a second resolution on different aspects of the High Authority's activities, the European Parliament declared itself conscious of the importance attached to its examination of the High Authority's Twelfth General Report, published at a time when the merger of the Executives has already been agreed to in principle.

The Parliament further declared itself strongly opposed to any weakening in the role of the Executive through this merger if Member states were to take back the powers which they have given up under the ECSC Treaty and to return increasingly to the practice of national economic policies.

Lastly the High Authority has been asked to undertake a study on the merger of the Executives and the unification of the treaties, to be presented to the European Parliament. In this study, it should give special attention to the institutional powers of the Executives as well as to those economic and social dispositions which must come up for consideration under the merger.