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DRAFT MOTION FOR A RESOLUTION pursuant to Rule 50 of the Rules of Procedure

by the Members of the European Parliament: BALTAS, EFTHYMIU, KARAMANOU, KATIFORIS, KOUKIADIS, MALLIORI, MASTORAKIS, SOULADAKIS, TSATSOS on behalf of the PES Group

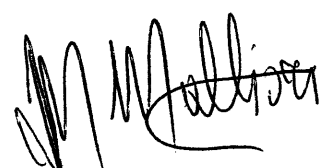
Earthquake in Athens

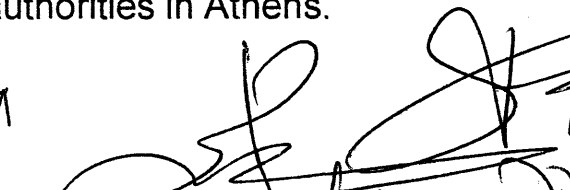
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The European Parliament:

- Having regard to the destructive earthquake which struck Athens on 7 September 1999,
- Dismayed at the large numbers of human casualties which have resulted,
- Having regard to the huge damage to homes and industrial units,
- 1. Expresses its deepest sorrow at the large losses of human lives, and expresses its condolences for and its solidarity with the victims and their families, as well as its sympathy to the Greek nation as a whole,
- 2. Expresses its satisfaction with the promptness and decisiveness with which the organs of the Greek state responded in the face of the emergency caused by this destructive earthquake,
- 3. Believes that urgent consideration should be given to the creation of a European Research Institute for the systematic study and application of new methods for early warning of seismic activity,
- 4. Instructs its President to forward this Resolution to the Commission, the Council, the Hellenic Government, and the local authorities in Athens.


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