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MOTION FOR A RESOLUTION

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on European Union support for Montilla-Moriles Spanish wines

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Motion for a European Parliament resolution on European Union support for Montilla-Moriles Spanish wines

The European Parliament,

- A. whereas Spanish Montilla-Moriles (designation of origin) wines have been in crisis for six years,
- B. whereas the region's producers suffered losses of three million euros in 2001,
- C. whereas the major indicators of the crisis are the reduction of the area under vines, the fall in prices and the disjunction between supply and demand, which leads to large surpluses,
- D. whereas the mechanisms already tried, such as diversification, production of vinegar, etc., have failed to produce the desired results,
- 1. Calls on the European Union to contribute to the aid being made available to solve the grave crisis in which Spanish Montilla-Moriles (designation of origin) find themselves;
- 2. Asks that such aid take the form of specific measures such as promotion by means of publicity, as a way of breaking the vicious circle caused by the disjunction between supply and demand;
- 3. Recommends that the EU provide substantial support for the general aid plan due to come into force before spring 2003.