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MOTION FOR A RESOLUTION

further to the Commission statement

pursuant to Rule 37(2) of the Rules of Procedure

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on behalf of the ELDR Group

on the International Conference for Renewable Energies in Bonn, June 2004

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European Parliament resolution on the International Conference for Renewable Energies in Bonn, June 2004

The European Parliament,

- having regard to the European Parliament and Council directive on the promotion of electricity from renewable energy sources in the internal electricity market,
- having regard to Rule 37(2) of its Rules of Procedure,
- A. whereas the Union and the Member States agree on the need to promote renewable energy sources as a priority measure, given that they make it possible to meet the Kyoto targets more quickly,
- B. whereas the EU must ensure a further increase in the use of renewable energy and investments in energy efficiency in the EU in order to reduce greenhouse gas emissions, improve security of supply and help promote renewables and energy efficiency in developing countries,
- 1. Calls upon the Commission and the Council:
- (a) to adopt a target of at least 20% for the contribution of renewable energy to total domestic energy consumption in the EU by 2020 as recommended by the European Conference for Renewable Energy,
- (b) to adopt the necessary policy measures to attain this target accordingly,
- (c) to make access to sustainable energy supply a priority in poverty reduction strategies and, in order to encourage and facilitate such a development, to oblige major financing institutions, such as the EIB, EBRD, World Bank and national Export Credit Agencies, to give priority to investments in renewables and energy efficiency,
- (d) to bear in mind the strategic importance of renewables and energy efficiency in all policy areas of the EU and international relations, notably development cooperation,
- (e) to support the recommendations of the European Conference for Renewable Energy and work on the further widening and deepening of collaboration in the Johannesburg Renewable Energy Coalition (JREC);
- 2. Instructs its President to forward this resolution to the Council, the Commission and the Member States.

