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JOINT MOTION FOR A RESOLUTION

pursuant to Rule 50(5) of the Rules of Procedure by

- José Ignacio Salafranca Sánchez-Neyra, José Manuel García-Margallo y Marfil and Marielle de Sarnez on behalf of the PPE-DE Group
- António José Seguro and Sami Naïr on behalf of the PSE Group
- Carles-Alfred Gasòliba i Böhm, Marieke Sanders-ten Holte and Isidoro Sánchez García on behalf of the ELDR Group
- Gorka Knörr Borràs and Alain Lipietz on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group
- Pedro Marset Campos, Fausto Bertinotti, Giuseppe Di Lello Finuoli, Laura González Álvarez, Lucio Manisco, Joaquim Miranda, Yasmine Boudjenah and Herman Schmid on behalf of the GUE/NGL Group

replacing the motions by the following groups:

- PSE (B5-0262/2001),
- Verts/ALE (B5-0275/2001),
- GUE/NGL (B5-0283/2001),
- PPE-DE (B5-0289/2001),
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European Parliament resolution on the situation in Mexico

The European Parliament,

- having regard to its previous resolutions on the state of Chiapas,
- A. whereas the new political situation has created unexpected hopes for national reconciliation between the indigenous peoples of Mexico and the rest of the Mexican nation,
- B. noting the success of the peaceful 'march for the dignity of indigenous peoples and the colour of the land' organised by the EZLN (Zapatista National Liberation Army) and supported and encouraged by the Government of Mexico and President Fox,
- C. whereas the new Government, by accepting the Zapatistas' conditions, has demonstrated a positive attitude which has created the conditions for a resumption of dialogue and the possible adoption of a law recognising the fundamental rights of the indigenous peoples of Mexico,
- 1. Welcomes the moves towards peace and reconciliation in Chiapas;
- 2. Welcomes the initiatives by the President and the Congress with regard to the conflict in Chiapas, which have paved the way for a commitment by the EZLN to a resumption of negotiations with a view to putting an end to a situation both inappropriate and anachronistic in a modern society;
- 3. Welcomes, in this regard, the statements by the Clandestine Revolutionary Indigenous Committee before the Mexican Congress;
- 4. Affirms its support for the Mexican Government, Mexican lawmakers and the EZLN in the process of political dialogue;
- 5. Reiterates its support for dialogue as the most appropriate means of seeking a solution, and rejects all forms of expression that incite violence; calls on all the parties involved to intensify their efforts to secure progress in this respect;
- 6. Calls on the elected representatives of the Mexican people to approve the law on indigenous rights and cultures on the basis of the proposal from the Commission for Reconciliation and Peacemaking;
- 7. Calls on the Joint Council created under the auspices of the economic partnership and cooperation agreement between the European Union and Mexico to give consideration to measures to assist the development of the indigenous peoples of Mexico;
- 8. Instructs its President to forward this resolution to the Commission, the Council and the President and Congress of the United Mexican States.

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