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on the setting up of an ad hoc committee to draw up proposals concerning  
the progress and development of the Community

The European Parliament,

- having had the opportunity since the election of its Members by direct universal suffrage to assess the way in which the Institutions operate and the effectiveness of Community policies, and realizing that in practice, the present institutional arrangements virtually prevent anythink more than very slight adjustments being made to the rules and practices currently in force,
- considering that it has a duty to submit, debate and vote on proposals for institutional reform, basing this view on the democratic legitimacy it derives from its direct election by the citizens of the Community,
- recalling that in the past, several political groups have launched a number of initiatives aimed at reforming the institutions, a prime example being the motion for a resolution tabled by the EPP Group on 27 September 1979 which instructed the Bureau of Parliament to lay down the necessary procedures for tackling this matter,
- convinced that proposals for reform underpinned by a broad consensus of the political forces of all the Member States and adopted by Parliament should be sent directly for ratification to the appropriate constitutional authorities in each Member State,
- aware that in so doing it is setting in train a vital political measure different from those taken hitherto, and that consequently it is essential that a working party be set up with specific responsibility for undertaking all the necessary consultations and for preparing and submitting to it the various institutional options and, on the basis of the decisions taken by Parliament, for drafting and submitting the final texts for adoption,
- whereas the composition of this working party should be such as to represent all the shades of opinion existing in Parliament, and whereas it should consider all the options concerning the future development of the Community,

Calls on its President and the enlarged Bureau to set up a working party of this nature at an early date.