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WRITTEN DECLARATION

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on the continued detention of Mordechai Vanunu by the Israeli authorities

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Declaration on the continued detention of Mordechai Vanunu by the Israeli authorities

The European Parliament,

– having regard to its resolutions of 14 June 1990, 22 November 1990 and 10 October 1991 on the kidnapping and imprisonment of Mordechai Vanunu, which commenced sixteen years ago on 30 September 1986,

– recalling that he was abducted from Rome by the Israeli authorities and that he was sentenced to eighteen years in prison for the alleged offence of revealing, through the London 'Sunday Times' newspaper, the extent of Israel's stock of nuclear weapons,

– condemning the behaviour of the Israeli authorities with regard to the abduction, the conduct of the judicial procedure, and the conditions in which Mordechai Vanunu is being detained; recalling that he was kept in solitary confinement for 11½ years,

1. Calls on the Israeli authorities to release Mr Vanunu, granting him full and unconditional freedom immediately;

2. Calls on the Commission and Council to impose the appropriate sanctions on Israel in the event of its failure to do so.