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Constitution of an Authority for the International Control of the coal and steel industries (Schuman Plan)

Motion for a resolution

tabled by Mr Giulio BERGMANN and other members of the Assembly

The Assembly congratulates M. Robert Schuman and the French Government on their plan for a coal and steel pool and, above all, on the proposal to institute " a new High' Authority whose decisions will be binding on France and Germany and such other countries as may subscribe to it " and the declaration that " this institution will constitute the foundation- stone of a European Federation indispensable for the maintenance of peace ".

The Assembly hopes that the High Authority (whose future powers and functions the six Governments of France, Germany, Italy, Belgium, the Netherlands and Luxembourg are now examining) will comprise an executive power, a legislative assembly and some form judicial authority, will make of these institutions the nucleus of the indispensable federation therein advocated, and will give them practical form so that they may develop and extend their powers to cover such other spheres of action as European countries may wish to entrust to them.

To this end the Assembly instructs its Standing Committee to establish some form of liaison with the French Government and with the delegations now at work drafting the Conventions which are to be submitted to their respective national Parliaments.

Signed (see overleaf)



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