Resolution on the situation in Japan, particularly the state of alert at the nuclear power stations

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The European Parliament adopted a resolution on the situation in Japan, particularly the state of alert at the nuclear power stations and expresses its most complete solidarity with the Japanese people and government.

The resolution was tabled by the EPP, S&D, ALDE, ECR, Greens/ALE, GUE/NGL and EFD groups.

Recalling the devastating earthquake and the tsunami which struck Japan and the Pacific region on 11 March, causing an extremely serious nuclear accident affecting Fukushima nuclear power station and constituting a fresh threat, Parliament presents its sincere condolences to the victims of this threefold disaster. It notes that the Prime Minister of Japan, Naoto Kan, has stated that the country is facing its most serious crisis since the Second World War, and Members call on the Union and Member States, as a priority, to give Japan and the disaster regions all necessary humanitarian, technical and financial aid. They welcome the fact that the Union immediately activated its Civil Protection Mechanism to coordinate its emergency aid. They also welcome the mobilisation, courage and determination of the Japanese people and of the authorities in response to this disaster.