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SUBJECT : Wood Industry Development Study
(WIDS) - Evaluation of Final
Reports

In November 1980, Phase I of the Wood Industry Development Study being conducted by the Atlanta Consult of Germany was completed. The first phase, which established the data base for subsequent sectoral planning exercise has two major outputs, i.e. five base survey reports on resources, industry, market, institutions and infrastructure; and draft report on broad development alternatives.

Consequently, a Review Committee created by virtue of Special Order No. 262 dated 20 October 1980, evaluated all phase I reports during the Review Meeting held last December 2-4, 1980 at the MNR Conference Room.

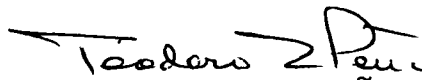
On the other hand, Phase II commenced with the optimization of the production/investment alternatives on the basis of the discussions and decisions made during the Review Meeting regarding the broad development alternatives and optimization of the mill models linked with the said alternatives. A draft wood industry development plan including a restricted number of case studies proposed for separate analysis at the pre-investment and conceptual investment levels was submitted to the Ministry last March 1981 and subsequently evaluated during the Decision Meeting participated by senior staff representatives from the NEDA and BOI in addition to the MNR Review Committee, last March 17-19, 1981.

The Consultants have just forwarded to our Ministry the final reports consisting of the revised Plan and four investment studies. The two remaining investment studies are expected to arrive within the next few weeks.

In this regard, you are hereby requested to submit an evaluation report on the implications of the Consultants' findings and recommendations not later than September 10, 1981. You are further requested to attend a meeting on September 15, 1:30 P.M. at the MNR Conference Room for the purpose of discussing the Consultants' final reports.

In addition to the members of the Review Committee, the said meeting shall also be attended by representatives from the NEDA, BOI and DBP.

For your information and proper guidance.


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Enclosures:

Final Reports submitted by Atlanta (5 volumes)