

rubles. There are 282 rubles per worker, including 4 rubles for the social development fund and 32 kopecks for social needs. The situation is no better with respect to bonus and production development funds. Here 184 and 93 rubles are allotted per person respectively. And the intention is to exchange the available hard currency into Soviet rubles which are to be used for strengthening the material and technical bases and for development in the social sphere.

During the past four years 57,700 square metres of living quarters were introduced over and above the plan. This exceeds the 1985 level 1.8 - fold. Today the ministry has cut the financing of housing construction to 9.9 million rubles as compared to 28 million rubles last year. The work with railroad transport has improved. All the imported Toyotas, Nissans and computers were distributed according to the decisions of the labour committees, and 10 motor vehicles were handed over to the militia in the settlements near logging enterprises.

Nevertheless, the facts mentioned earlier for justification purposes by no means imply that the association is except from criticism. We have enough faults, including some in the areas mentioned above. The crisis confronting the industry affects us as well. And we are trying to take a sober look at the situation that has arisen. This is why we will resolutely fight any adverse phenomena which interfere with the normal work process.

In conclusion, a few words about our prospects for the future.

The vast majority of the enterprises have exhausted their allocated timber limits through many years of cutting quality coniferous stands. This is because there were virtually no opportunities to sell small-diameter and broad-leaved wood. In order to avoid a sharp decrease in logging, it is necessary immediately to