

the most important aspects, while leaving aside the tactical problems, which are also very complex. We shall discuss them at some later time.

We realize that restructuring the pulp-and-paper industry (and this is not the first such attempt) cannot be painless. There will be obstacles, but we hope there will not be too many.

We also support the new forms of management and foreign economic activity which have yet to find their place in the pulp-and-paper industry. The Ministry itself cannot do a great deal if the industry's enterprises and organizations, its cooperating plants and suppliers and other interested parties do not confront the problem of paper shortages. The world's leading socialist state should not trail behind the rest of the world economically, scientifically, and culturally. Obtaining books, magazines, and newspapers should not be a problem for the Soviet reading public.

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