

fires. We are currently in receipt of ATs-30 fire-fighting machines which fall short of our requirements in a number of parameters. There is only room in the cabin for one person besides the driver. As far back as 1979, however, another machine with two cabins for six occupants was designed. This is the ATs-10. It is a very good machine but has been supplied to us in very small numbers which in no way meet our requirements. The Ministry of Road-Building Machinery has unfortunately suspended production of it. Goskomles SSSR is unable to resolve this matter. The example, of course, is a personal one, but it is typical."

Shelkan. "Forest fires wreak enormous harm, not only on the economy but also on the country's ecological situation. The first thing we have to do is to teach prevention among the population. This work has been started, but as was acknowledged by the participants in the "round table", it is not enough. We must therefore combine our efforts in propagating ecological knowledge and arranging for effective control over the state of the natural resources. We are no longer able or willing to tolerate the irresponsible actions of those whose fault it is that fire is destroying our national wealth - the forest."

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I think the time has come for all of the country's forestry workers to collectively ponder the