

"Prominform" is guaranteeing that the shares are neither fraudulent nor a method of extracting funds from simple folk. To this end, it must make arrangements by 1991 for the secondary integrated conversion of timber and forest wastes, thereby raising the merchantability of each cubic metre, which will result in an increase in profit and a strengthening of the dependability of its shares.

In the days when the points in the agreement were still being pondered by S.S. Romanov, Chairman of the Board of "Prominform" and I.A. Segal', Chairman of the Raiispolkom, I managed to make an overflight of forest lands leased for logging. Alas, they were in considerable disarray, which was not only due to human activity. Over vast areas overmature coniferous trees had fallen and were rotting. In these places a mixed forest with a high content of birch had become established. But the Vishera Pulp and Paper Mill for the sake of which the contract was being drawn up is not equipped for processing hardwood. In the absence of a dependable consumer, "foliage" has become the scourge of the entire Urals region. What then, had to be done?

By 1995 "Prominform" must ensure that there is balanced consumption of hardwood and softwood. It should be mentioned that no one has previously succeeded in doing this. Nor has anyone made a serious attempt at it.

What else is there to say that might appeal to the interested reader of this piece?

"Prominform" must build the roads, bridges and other installations in the area, without which a modern social infrastructure will not be developed. The people brought here will not be living in barracks (these will be demolished during the period 1991-1995, together with the panelled housing), but in decent homes. For this purpose it must "change over to building cottage-type accommodation in the logging camps which is fully serviced (with piped in water, sewage systems, heating and natural gas) and consist of long-lasting materials, such as brick and pre-stressed concrete."