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QUARTERLY PROGRESS REPORT OF EXPORT PROMOTION PROGRAM AT MISSIONS ABROAD FOR FISCAL YEAR 89 FORECAST OF KEY ACTIVITIES AND ANTICIPATED RESULTS STATED IN MISSION'S ANNUAL PLAN

POST :437-LONDON

SECTOR :009-FOREST PRODUCTS, EQUIP, SERVICES
UNITED KINGDOM

PLANNING:

ACTIVITIES PROPOSED IN POST PLAN:

ANTICIPATED RESULTS:

SUB-SECTOR: WOOD AND WOOD PRODUCTS

MONITORING, REPORTING AND RECOM. ON MAJOR ACCESS ISSUES
IMPROVED STRATEGIC FRAMEWORK FOR APPROPRIATE INTERVENTION.

DECISIONS AND POLICY.

WITH COFI-BPIP, ASSESS OPPORTUNITIES FOR WOOD PRODUCT IN UK INCREASED INFORMATION, MARKET DEVELOPMENT, PROMOTION AND

SALE

MEET WITH SENIOR EXECUTIVES OF TFC CO. & ESTATE AGENCIES REVITALIZE LEVEL OF TFC HOUSING STARTS

SECTOR PROFILES
POSITION PAPERS FOR CONSULTATION AND ASSESSMENT OF POLICY

TRACKING:

ACTIVITIES UNDERTAKEN IN QUARTER:

QUARTER: 1 - series of missions from IWA-union to forestry
to UK and 3 key lumber missions to Canada
- continued co-ordination & co-operation of Cdn
lumber ind. promotion & technical work on issues
- address issues: newsprint quota, dioxins

QUARTER: 2 a) Monitoring & reporting on Eurocode S/CEN activities.

- b) Meet Chairman of large newspapaer publishers on newsprint issue.
- c) Liaison on sectors other than forest products

QUARTER: 3 1. Interbuild

2. Newsprint issue with EC

QUARTER: 4 1.Newsprint quota - planning to minimize quota difficulties in 1990. 2.Plant health-consultation with industry & Forestry Commission.

3.Technical info to Cdn ind - forest products.

4.Market promotions of selected products.

QUARTERLY RESULTS REPORTED:

- All successful in meeting objectives & considerable follow-up now underway.
 considerable studies made. CLA now part of
- BPIB. COFI & BPIB working closely together
 considerable consultation & publicity underway
- a) CEN issues reported on; briefing meetings with UK forest trade held.
- b) Newsprint issues discussed at senior levels.
- c) Sector liaison included cement bonded particleboard, promising new product.
- Interbuild exhibition successful Cdn demonstration along with related missions - NEXOS & panel products.
- 2.Consultations on Cdn newsprint quota with EC leading to autonomous quota of 680,000 tons.
- Special initiatives on Cda/EC newsprint quota.
 Expanded mill certification official 1st qtr
 1990.
- 3.Ongoing consults/liaison Eurocode 5/CEN.
- 4. Continuing promo value added wood products.