

COMMISSION

COMMISSION DECISION

of 9 December 1997

amending Decision 83/247/EEC setting up a committee on Community policy regarding forestry and forestry-based industries

(97/837/EC)

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,
Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community,

Whereas, in the light of the economic evolution of forestry and forestry-based industries in the Community and the need to ensure the representation of its various branches in the committee, it is appropriate to amend Commission Decision 83/247/EEC⁽¹⁾,

HAS DECIDED AS FOLLOWS:

Sole Article

Decision 83/247/EEC is hereby amended as follows:

1. Articles 1, 2, and 3 are replaced by the following:

Article 1

An advisory committee on Community policy regarding forestry and forestry-based industries, hereinafter referred to as "the committee", is hereby set up under the auspices of the Commission. The committee shall consist of representatives of the European organizations of forest-based industries.

Article 2

The committee shall, at the request of the Commission, or on its own initiative, give advice to the Commission on the industrial aspects of Community policies affecting forest-based industries and forestry, and also on the market and other economic considerations affecting forest products in the Community or the demand therefore.

Article 3

The committee shall comprise 23 members:

- five members representing the forestry sector,
- six members representing the mechanical wood industry,
- six members representing the pulp, paper and board manufacturing and converting industries,

— six members representing the printing and the publishing industries.;

2. Articles 5 and 6 are replaced by the following:

Article 5

The term of office of committee members shall be two years, and shall be renewable subject to the approval of the Commission. On expiry of the two-year period, committee members shall remain in office until they have been replaced or until their term of office has been renewed.

A member's term of office shall be terminated before expiry of the two-year period in the event of his resignation or death.

He shall be replaced for the remainder of his term of office in accordance with the provisions of Article 4.

Members shall not be remunerated for their services.

Article 6

The list of the members of the committee shall be published by the Commission for information purposes in the *Official Journal of the European Communities*.;

3. Article 10 is replaced by the following:

Article 10

1. The committee and the working parties shall be convened by the chairman. The committee shall meet at the headquarters of the Commission.

2. Representatives of the Commission departments concerned shall take part in meetings of the committee and of the working parties.;

Done at Brussels, 9 December 1997.

For the Commission

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⁽¹⁾ OJ L 137, 26. 5. 1983, p. 31.

ANNEX

COMMITTEE ON COMMUNITY POLICY REGARDING FORESTRY AND FOREST-BASED INDUSTRIES

1. Forestry sector	5 members
Publicly-owned forests	1
CEPF — Confédération européenne des producteurs forestiers	1
USSE — Union de Silvicultores del Sur de Europa	1
UEF — Union of European Foresters	1
FECOF — Fédération européenne des communes forestières	1
2. Mechanical wood industry	6 members
CEI-Bois — Confédération européenne des industries du bois	1
OES — Organisation européenne des scieries	1
FESYP — Fédération européenne des syndicats de fabricants de panneaux de particules	1
FEROPA — Fédération européenne des fabricants de panneaux de fibres	1
FEIC — Fédération européenne des industries du contreplaqué	1
Euro MDF — European Association of Medium Density Fibreboard	1
3. Pulp, paper and board manufacturers and converting	6 members
CEPI — Confederation of European Paper Industries	1
EPIS — European Pulp Industry Sector	1
CEPI Cartonboard/Procarton	1
ETS — European Tissue Symposium	1
EDANA — European Disposables and Non-wovens Association	1
CITPA — Confédération internationale des transformateurs de papier et carton en Europe	1
4. Printing and publishing	6 members
INTERGRAF — Confédération internationale de l'industrie graphique et des industries annexes	1
FAEP — Fédération des associations d'éditeurs de périodiques de la CEE	1
ENPA — European Newspaper Publishers Association	1
EADP — European Association of Directory Publishers	1
EPC — European Publishers Council	1
FEP — Federation of European Publishers	1
Total	23