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Forestry situation in Europe

Motion for a recommendation
tabled by Mr Roberto LUCIFERO D'APRIGLIANO and other members of the Assembly

The Assembly,

Considering the growing importance of the consumption of timber in Europe and the need to develop and rationalise the production thereof in order to meet the growing demands;

Considering that the organisation of production, consumption and marketing of timber on a European scale necessitates the definition of long-term objectives and that for this reason it raises problems which cannot be solved at the individual or national level;

Taking account of the recommendations of the United Nations Food and Agriculture Organisation calling for far-reaching decisions and co-ordinated action on the international plane,

Recommends that the Committee of Ministers should invite Member Governments to take, in co-operation with the international organisations concerned, the necessary steps to attain these ends, more particularly by the adoption of the following measures :

creation of a European common market for timber;

unification of the legislation of the different European countries relating to the production, distribution and consumption of timber;

co-ordination and supervision of the observance of regulations of common interest ;

the financing of investment for afforestation in cases of common interest;

advice and technical assistance to countries which so require;

coordination of policy relating to forestry whenever necessary.

Signed (see overleaf)

Signed:

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