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Annex to the Report of the Ad Hoc Working Party on Equipment DETAILED LISTS OF EQUIPMENT FOR INCREASED TIMBER PRODUCTION

The Government of Switzerland has communicated to the Secretariat the following further information:

- 1. The firms quoted in the list have always been interested in the manufacture of forestry implements. They are the best-known houses in Switzerland. For larger orders it would no doubt be possible also to interest other firms which up to the present have manufactured little forestry equipment. In particular wedge sockets, felling axes and possibly barkers can be manufactured in any forge. We received for example on one occasion an interesting offer from the Von Roll factories in Gerlafingen. For further details please apply to the Secretariat of the Association de Martelleries suisses (Alfred Pezolt, Lawyer, Bundesplatz, 4, Berne).
- 2. The quantities we have indicated as available for delivery represent our minimum estimates. have been assessed in accordance with our experience of the firms in question. These quantities could probably be delivered within 6 months. difficulties we have had have been with the Usines Métallurgiques of Vallorbe regarding delivery-dates These factories are at present for small orders. working largely for export and we have found that their production capacity is very high. As the factory is closed down at the moment for holidays, we have not been able to make contact.
- 3. The prices given are the wholesale prices for delivery. As a rule they vary very little from one manufacturer to another and from one year to another, though the size of orders may have some influence on prices. These will not vary however by more than 10%. The considerable differences in the prices of axes are due to the different methods of manufacture. Axes made entirely of steel (produced in large forges) are cheaper than casehardened axes (produced in private smithies).

The Government of Belgium has communicated to the Secretariat further details as follows:

"Should interested governments wish for further information, or should they desire to send experts to examine this equipment on the spot, they should apply to Mr. Paul Wauters, Director, Ministry of Economic Affairs, or in his absence to Col. Maroye, Director of the Belgian Military Forestry Service, Ministry of Economic Affairs, 32, rue du Luxembourg, Brussels - tel. 12.66.90."

LIST OF EQUIPMENT AVAILABLE

1. Vehicles

- A.37 FORD and CANADA tractors, semi-trailer, 6 tons, 4-wheel drive.
- B.70 FORD CaNaDá tractors, semi-trailer logging wagon, 6 tons, 4-wheel drive.
- C.72 BEDFORD trucks QL type, 30 tons, 4-wheel drive.

2. Forestry Equipment

- 3,000 units axe handles
- 2,000 " axe heads.
 - 300 "rosettes" (bits?) with or without handles.
 - 500 units two-handed saws, 1.20 1.80 m.
 - 500 units chain saws with 80 cm. to 1.20 m. blade.
 - 500 kg. 25,000 m. steel cable.
 - 400 kg. of 0.005 mm. steel wire.
- 2,400 kg. of 0.003 mm. to 0.0031/2 mm. copper wire.
 - 500 m. logging chains.
 - 200 m. narrow gauge track.
 - 40 units wagons.
 - 22 " points.
 - 900 " bolts, miscellaneous.