

Decree No. 2.119, of 13 January 1997

Regulates the Pilot Project for the Protection of Tropical Forests in Brazil and its Coordination Committee, and establishes other measures.

The President of the Republic, by virtue of the authority vested therein pursuant to article 84, section IV of the Constitution

decrees the following:

Art. 1. The Pilot Project for the Protection of Tropical Forests in Brazil and its Coordination Committee, established pursuant to Decree No. 563 of 5 June 1992, shall be governed by the provisions contained in this decree.

Art. 2. The Program's objective is to establish a model for the sustainable development of Brazilian tropical forests, consisting of a set of plans for integrated execution by the federal, state and municipal governments and organized civil society, with the technical and financial support of the international community.

Sole Paragraph. The first phase of the program shall include activities such as: ecological-economic zoning; monitoring and security; control and auditing; institutional strengthening of state environmental agencies; the establishment and operation of parks and reserves, national forests, logging reserves and indigenous lands; research focusing on sustainable development and the establishment of centers of scientific excellence; natural resources management; the rehabilitation of damaged areas; environmental education and demonstration projects.

Art. 3. The Coordination Committee shall consist of the following:

I -- One representative from each of the following Federal agencies:

- a) Secretariat for the Coordination of Legal Amazon Affairs, under the Ministry of the Environment, Water Resources and the Legal Amazon, who shall chair the Committee;
- b) Executive Secretariat of the Ministry of Justice;
- c) Secretariat of Scientific Development under the Ministry of Science and Technology;

d) Secretariat of International Affairs under the Ministry of Planning and Budget;

e) Secretariat of Strategic Affairs under the Office of the President of the Republic;

f) Attorney General for National Finance, under the Finance Ministry;

g) Department of Special Affairs under the Ministry of Foreign Affairs;

h) Department of Scientific, Technical and Technological Cooperation under the Ministry of Foreign Affairs;

i) Brazilian Cooperation Agency under the Ministry of Foreign Affairs;

j) Amazon Development Superintendency (SUDAM);

l) Brazilian Institute for the Environment and Renewable Natural Resources (IBAMA);

m) National Indian Foundation (FUNAI);

II -- Two (2) representatives from the state environmental and planning organizations of the states of the Legal Amazon;

III -- Two (2) representatives from non-governmental organizations with activities in the Legal Amazon;

IV -- One (1) representative from non-governmental organizations with activities in the Atlantic Forest;

1. The Federal Government representatives, together with their alternates, shall be nominated by the acting heads of the respective agencies and appointed by the Minister of State for the Environment, Water Resources and the Legal Amazon.

2. The governments of the states of the Legal Amazon shall participate through a rotation of their acting and alternate representatives, who shall be nominated by the environmental and planning organizations, and appointed by the Minister of State for the Environment, Water Resources and the Legal Amazon, for a term of one (1) year.

3. The non-governmental organization representatives, together with their alternates, shall be nominated by their

respective entities and appointed by the Minister of State for the Environment, Water Resources and the Legal Amazon, for a term of two (2) years.

4. Representatives from other government agencies and entities, legal entities or individuals may participate in meetings of the Coordination Committee, at the invitation of its chairman.

5. The Secretariat for the Coordination of Legal Amazon Affairs shall provide technical/administrative support to the Coordination Committee.

Art. 6. The Coordination Committee shall be responsible for the following:

I -- Approving the annual scheduling and investment of funds, as well as the project implementation phases of the Program;

II -- Evaluating the results of the physical and financial monitoring of the Program's projects;

III -- Analyzing the results of the independent technical evaluation to be carried out on an annual basis;

IV -- Preparing the technical instructions for each phase of the Program;

V -- Through a proposal by the Chairman of the Coordination Committee, approving the creation, composition, responsibilities and operating procedures of the Program's technical departments;

VI -- Analyzing the results of the systematic monitoring of project performance and the final evaluation of the Program;

VII -- Approving its internal regulation.

Sole Paragraph. The directives for negotiations and understandings between the agencies with jurisdiction in the Brazilian Government, and the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development (IBRD) and bilateral organizations providing Program financing shall be established at specific meetings of the Coordination Committee, with the sole participation of the Federal Government agency representatives comprising it.

Art. 7. The Ministry of the Environment, Water Resources and the Legal Amazon shall establish a structure and the

procedures needed to operate the services of the
Coordination Committee Executive Secretariat.

Art. 8. The Program shall be financed through the
account for the Tropical Forests Protection
Project/Activity under the Ministry of the Environment,
Water Resources and the Legal Amazon, international
donations, and other external and internal sources which
may be identified.

Art. 9. The Committee's participation shall imply no
type of compensation and shall be considered as being of
relevant public interest.

Art. 10. This decree shall enter into force on the date
of its publication.

Art. 11. Decree No. 563 of 5 June 1992 shall be revoked.

Brasilia, 13 January 1997; 176th year of independence and
109th year of the Republic.

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