

# **Tropical forests, developing countries: conservation and sustainable management**

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The Commission was able to accept 18 EP amendments in full or in part, in some cases subject to some rewording or insertion in a different part of the regulation text than initially proposed. Most of these were amendments concerning policy or technical issues, in particular indigenous peoples' rights - most of the latter amendments were consolidated into one clause. The amendments or important parts of the amendments that the Commission was unable to accept can be grouped under several of the following categories: - amendments concerning management issues which are of the competence of the Commission; - procedural or administrative proposals that were not in accordance with standard formulations and practices of similar regulations, including the Financial Regulation; - quotes from legal acts or policy documents which were considered to be redundant and to unnecessarily lengthen the text; - amendments considered to be unclear or subjective, or which repeated ideas expressed elsewhere in the Regulation or in other accepted amendments; - amendments which, if accepted, would reduce the focus and hence the effectiveness of the activities contemplated under the Regulation.