

administrative and financial structure of the Commission, as well as to the content of an expanded programme of exploration of the oceans and their resources;

3. *Transmits* the Secretary-General's report entitled "Marine Science and Technology" to the General Assembly for further consideration at its twenty-third session;

4. *Invites* the General Assembly to endorse the concept of a co-ordinated long-term programme of oceanographic research designed to increase, in the interests of world economic development, the resources available to all people of the world, taking also into account such initiatives as the proposal for an international decade of Ocean Exploration and several international programmes already considered, approved and adopted by the International Oceanographic Commission for implementation, in certain cases in co-operation with other specialized agencies.

*1561st plenary meeting,
2 August 1968.*

1382 (XLV). Marine science and technology

The Economic and Social Council,

Considering the importance of marine science and technology for optimum utilization of the world's natural resources,

Bearing in mind that one of the main obstacles to the development of marine science and technology is the shortage of experts and qualified personnel, particularly in the developing countries,

Being convinced that, in order to bring about a better understanding of this subject, knowledge of it must be promoted among the public in general and particularly among young people, who will constitute the technicians and research workers of the future,

Believing that for this purpose it is necessary for the fundamentals of marine science to be inculcated at a pre-university level of education,

Noting with satisfaction the proposals concerning education and training in marine science and technology contained in the report of the Secretary-General,⁴²

Requests the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization to study appropriate means of imparting a wider knowledge of the sea and its resources as part of secondary education programmes.

*1561st plenary meeting,
2 August 1968.*

⁴² E/4487 and Corr.1 and 2.

QUESTIONS RELATING TO TECHNICAL CO-OPERATION

1344 (XLV). Reports of the Governing Council of the United Nations Development Programme

The Economic and Social Council,

Takes note of the reports of the Governing Council of the United Nations Development Programme (fifth and sixth sessions).⁴³

*1550th plenary meeting,
24 July 1968.*

1350 (XLV). Report on the United Nations Capital Development Fund

The Economic and Social Council,

Recalling General Assembly resolutions 2186 (XXI) of 13 December 1966 and 2321 (XXII) of 15 December 1967,

Bearing in mind the comments made on this subject at the fifth and sixth sessions of the Governing Council of the United Nations Development Programme,⁴⁴

⁴³ *Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, Forty-fifth Session, Supplements Nos. 6 and 6A (E/4451 and E/4545).*

⁴⁴ *See Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, Forty-fifth Session, Supplement No. 6 (E/4451), paras. 271-275 and Supplement No. 6A (E/4545), paras. 249-268.*

1. *Endorses* the decision of the Governing Council of the United Nations Development Programme at its sixth session,⁴⁵ requesting the Administrator, in consultation with Member States concerned, to continue his efforts with a view to beginning the operation of the United Nations Capital Development Fund including the identification of specific projects in the programme of work of different organizations of the United Nations system which can benefit from investment within the scope of the existing resources of the United Nations Capital Development Fund;

2. *Expresses* the hope that, as a matter of urgency, the Administrator will be in a position to report to the Governing Council of the United Nations Development Programme, not later than at its seventh session, subject to decisions to be taken by the General Assembly at its twenty-third session under operative paragraph 2 of resolution 2321 (XXII);

3. *Expresses also* the hope that Governments of States Members of the United Nations and members of the specialized agencies and of the International Atomic Energy Agency will take the necessary measures to

⁴⁵ *See Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, Forty-fifth Session, Supplement No. 6A (E/4545), para. 267.*