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 Ascembly 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.

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

- 1. Endorses the decision of the Governing Council of the United Nations Development Programme at its sixth session, 46 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

⁴² E/4487 and Corr.1 and 2.

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.

⁴⁶ See Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, Forty-fifth Session, Supplement No. 6A (E/4545), para. 267.

participate in the Pledging Conference of the United Nations Capital Development Fund to be convened on 9 October 1968.*

1559th plenary meeting, 2 August 1968.

1364 (XLV). Evaluation of programmes of technical co-operation

The Economic and Social Council,

Recalling its resolution 1263 (XLIII) of 3 August 1967,

Having reviewed the progress made by organizations of the United Nations family in the past year in respect of evaluation of programmes of technical co-operation as set out in the report of the Secretary-General to the Governing Council of the United Nations Development Programme, ⁴⁶ the thirty-fourth report of the Administrative Committee on Co-ordination ⁴⁷ and the report on the research study on methods and techniques of evaluation of the United Nations Institute for Training and Research, ⁴⁸

Taking into account the views, on the subject expressed by the Committee for Programme and Co-ordination at its second session,⁴⁹

1. Takes note with appreciation of the reports on the work of the Secretary-General, the Administrative Committee on Co-ordination, and the United Nations Institute for Training and Research on evaluation of programmes of technical co-operation;

- 2. Emphasizes that evaluation activities should at all times be related to the practical purpose of ensuring that the principles of good management are exercised at all stages of technical co-operation projects;
- 3. Requests the Secretary-General to submit to the Council at its forty-seventh session the reports of the evaluation missions to Iran and Ecuador, as well as such comments and suggestions as the Administrative Committee on Co-ordination may wish to make in light of these reports, and also to present a further report to the Council at that session on the research project on evaluation of the United Nations Institute for Training and Research, including such conclusions and recommendations as may have been reached;
- 4. Further requests the Secretary-General, in consultation with the Administrator of the United Nations Development Programme and the executive heads of other organizations within the United Nations system, to prepare for the Council at its forty-seventh session a background paper describing the main policy issues and the practical problems, such as the elaboration of definitions and of more effective procedures, raised by the efforts throughout the United Nations system of organizations to evaluate projects and programmes of technical co-operation, and to include in this paper appropriate conclusions and recommendations for the development of a coherent programme for the evaluation of technical co-operation within the United Nations system with a view to facilitating the achievement of the objectives of the Second United Nations Development Decade;
- 5. Decides to undertake at its forty-seventh session a broad review of policies, methods and activities of the organizations in the United Nations system for evaluation of programmes of technical co-operation, and in the meanwhile to defer until that session decisions on the questions as to whether the pilot evaluation missions should be continued.

1560th plenary meeting, 2 August 1968.

OTHER DECISIONS

Provision of operational personnel by the United Nations Development Programme

At its 1550th meeting, on 24 July 1968, the Council decided to invite the General Assembly, at its twenty-third session, to authorize the United Nations Development Programme to provide operational personnel, on the request of Governments, as an integral part of the assistance normally provided by it.

Technical co-operation activities of the United Nations

At its 1550th meeting, on 24 July 1968, the Council decided to take note of the decision of the Governing Council of the United Nations Development Programme

as recorded in paragraph 322 of the report of the Governing Council on its sixth session⁵⁰

- (a) To take note of the report of the Secretary-General⁵¹ and of the views expressed by the members of the Governing Council and the Commissioner for Technical Co-operation during the discussion; and
- (b) To approve that portion of the regular programme for 1969 set out in the report of the Secretary-General⁵² subject to the following:
- (i) That the question of the appropriations as between the various sections of part V (Technical Programmes)

^{*} The date of the Pledging Conference was subsequently changed to 18 October 1968.

⁴⁶ DR/RP/5.

⁴⁷ See Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, Forty-fifth Session, Annexes, agenda item 23, document E/4486/Add.1. annex VII.

⁴⁸ Ibid., agenda item 18, document E/4508.

⁴⁹ Ibid., Forty-fifth Session, Supplement No. 9 (E/4493/Rev.1), para. 205.

⁵⁰ Ibid., Supplement No. 6A (E/4545).

⁵¹ DP/RP/5 and Add.1, 3 and 4.

⁵² DP/RP/5/Add.2.