- (b) The Union should function as an executing agency of the United Nations Development Programme and participate in the activities of the Programme in order to assist in the preparation and implementation of technical assistance and pre-investment projects in the field of tourism, financed by the Programme, and consideration should be given to enabling the Union to function as a participating and executing agency of the Programme;
- (c) Necessary procedures should be elaborated to enable the Union to submit, for the consideration of the Economic and Social Council, recommendations and proposals relating to international agreements to be drawn up in the field of tourism;
- 6. Requests the Secretary-General, in co-operation with the Administrator of the United Nations Development Programme and the Secretary-General of the International Union of Official Travel Organizations, to prepare a report containing concrete proposals on measures to be taken for the full implementation of the provisions mentioned in paragraph 5 above, for submission to the Economic and Social Council at its forty-ninth session.

1823rd plenary meeting, 5 December 1969.

2560 (XXIV). Marine science

The General Assembly,

Recalling the considerations set forth in its resolution 2172 (XXI) of 6 December 1966,

Having noted with appreciation the report of the Secretary-General entitled "Marine science and technology: survey and proposals", 19 submitted in response to resolution 2172 (XXI),

Noting also the note by the Secretary-General on the establishment of an intersecretariat committee, 20 which arose out of the suggestion of the Secretary-General in his report on marine science and technology,

Recognizing the growing awareness of the importance of the oceans to the progress of mankind,

Aware of the need to obtain more information concerning the oceans and their resources,

Recalling the request in its resolution 2414 (XXIII) of 17 December 1968 that the Secretary-General present a comprehensive outline of the scope of a long-term and expanded programme of oceanic exploration and research, of which the international decade of ocean exploration will be an important element, taking into account the recommendations of the Intergovernmental Oceanographic Commission of the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization and in co-operation with other interested international organizations,

Recalling also the request in its resolution 2467 D (XXIII) of 21 December 1968 that the Intergovernmental Oceanographic Commission intensify its activities in the scientific field, co-operate with the Secretary-General in the preparation of the comprehensive outline and report to the General Assembly at its twenty-fourth session on progress made in the implementation of that resolution,

Noting Economic and Social Council resolution 1470 (XLVII) of 17 November 1969 by which the Council

20 A/C.2/247.

transmitted the comprehensive outline to the General Assembly,

- 1. Notes with appreciation the comprehensive outline of the scope of a long-term and expanded programme of oceanic exploration and research, of which the international decade of ocean exploration will be an important element, forwarded by the Chairman of the Intergovernmental Oceanographic Commission of the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization to the Secretary-General and annexed to a note by the Secretary-General on this subject;²¹
- 2. Reaffirms its conviction that any exploration or research carried out under the long-term and expanded programme shall be exclusively scientific in nature and that all such activities falling under the national jurisdiction of a State shall be subject to the previous consent of such State, in accordance with international law;
- 3. Requests the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization and its Intergovernmental Oceanographic Commission to keep that programme up to date and consider its implementation in appropriate stages, in co-operation with other interested organizations, in particular the United Nations, the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations, the World Meteorological Organization and the Inter-Governmental Maritime Consultative Organization;
- 4. Urges Member States to co-operate with the Intergovernmental Oceanographic Commission in the implementation of that programme in appropriate stages;
- 5. Commends the close working relations that have developed between the Intergovernmental Oceanographic Commission and the United Nations, the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations, the World Meteorological Organization and the Inter-Governmental Maritime Consultative Organization, including the establishment of the Intersecretariat Committee on Scientific Programmes relating to Oceanography, which consists of representatives of the latter organizations, to further, in consultation with the Chairman of the Intergovernmental Oceanographic Commission, the common aspects of the work of the Intergovernmental Oceanographic Commission, the common aspects of the work of the Intergovernmental Oceanographic Commission and those organizations;
- 6. Requests the Intergovernmental Oceanographic Commission and the organizations mentioned in paragraph 5 above to continue to work closely together for the furtherance of their common objectives, within their own terms of reference;
- 7. Requests the Secretary-General to report to the Economic and Social Council on the progress made in the updating and implementation of that programme.

1832nd plenary meeting, 13 December 1969.

2561 (XXIV). Public administration and development

The General Assembly,

Taking into account its previous resolutions with regard to the role of public administration in economic and social development, especially resolutions 723 (VIII) of 23 October 1953, 1024 (XI) of 21 Decem-

¹⁹ E/4487 and Corr.1-6 and Add.1 and 2.

²¹ A/7750.