

ing and co-ordinating authority on international health matters. In addition, it provides advisory and technical services to help countries develop and improve their health services. The 18th World Health Assembly was held in Geneva in May 1965. (See also the item "International Health" in Subsect. 7, Sect. 1, Part I of Chapter VI on Public Health, Welfare and Social Security.)

United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization.—The United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO) was established in 1946 "to contribute to peace and security by promoting collaboration among the nations through education, science and culture in order to further universal respect for justice, for the rule of law, for human rights and fundamental freedoms" Its headquarters is in Paris and total membership at the end of 1965 was 121 states.

The Organization is made up of three principal organs—the General Conference which is the policy-making body, the Executive Board and the Secretariat. Representatives from member states make up the General Conference which meets every two years to consider applications for membership, elect the Executive Board, plan the program and approve the budget for the ensuing two-year period. The latest General Conference was held in Paris in October and November 1964. It approved a budget of \$48,900,000, giving priority to the educational needs of the developing countries and to science activities, particularly the application of science to development; the Canadian assessment rate is 2.98 p.c. The next General Conference takes place in Paris in October 1966. Further information about the Organization may be obtained from the Canadian National Commission for UNESCO, Ottawa.

International Civil Aviation Organization.—The International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO), with headquarters in Montreal, is the only Specialized Agency of the UN with headquarters in Canada. Canada has been a member of the 27-nation Council, the governing body of ICAO, since its inception in 1947. The 15th Session of the ICAO Assembly, consisting of all member states, was held in Montreal from June 22 to July 19, 1965. A Canadian was elected President of the Assembly. During February 1966 a special ICAO meeting was held in Montreal to discuss the question of liability in connection with air accidents.

International Telecommunication Union.—Canada is a member of the International Telecommunication Union (ITU), a Specialized Agency of the UN, which traces its origin to the International Telegraph Convention of 1865 and the International Radio Telegraph Convention of 1906. The Plenipotentiary Conference, the supreme authority of the ITU, met in Montreux, Switzerland from Sept. 14 to Nov. 12, 1965. The Conference revised the International Telecommunication Convention which will come into force on Jan. 1, 1967. Canada is represented on the 29-member Administrative Council, the executive organ of the Union.

World Meteorological Organization.—Canada is a member of the World Meteorological Organization (WMO), a Specialized Agency of the UN since 1951 but developed from the International Meteorological Organization founded in 1878. During 1965, Canada was represented at the regular meetings of a number of the subsidiary bodies of WMO.

Inter-Governmental Maritime Consultative Organization.—The Inter-Governmental Maritime Consultative Organization (IMCO) was established in 1959 to promote international co-operation on technical shipping problems and the adoption of the highest standards of safety and navigation. Canada participated in the Conference held in Jordan under the auspices of IMCO from Mar. 24 to Apr. 9, 1965 which drew up the Convention of the Facilitation of Maritime Travel and Transport. Canada was re-elected to the Administrative Council and the Maritime Safety Committee during their regular sessions held in Paris in September 1965.

Universal Postal Union.—With a membership of 126, the Universal Postal Union (UPU) is one of the largest of the Specialized Agencies of the UN; it is also one of the oldest,