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At its 44th plenary meeting, on 28 July 1999, the Economic and Social Council, noting the importance of specific training and upgrading of the skills of United Nations personnel, with a view to increasing the effectiveness of United Nations programme activities in the field of development to meet the new challenges in the area and improve the performance of United Nations staff in the implementation of the follow-up to major United Nations conferences, and also noting the activities undertaken so far by the United Nations Staff College in Turin, Italy, which operates with technical, logistic and administrative contributions from the International Training Centre of the International Labour Organization, in the promotion of a common United Nations management culture and in support of the process of change and reform in the United Nations, invited the General Assembly at its fifty-fourth session to hold, under the agenda item entitled "Training and research", a discussion on the activities of the College, including the institutional, administrative and financial aspects, with a view to further considering the question at its fifty-fifth session, on the basis of the recommendations of the Secretary-General on the future status and operations of the College after the conclusion of its pilot phase in December 2000.