

In order to clarify this question right away it is necessary to explain that the commission at the Sovmin of the USSR on Matters of the Arctic was created for the supervision of the activity of the Ministry and the departments, especially in the sphere of coordination on Arctic problems. And in this case there was a good instance of cooperation between the MMF (Ministry of the Maritime Fleet, USSR) and the Goskomgidromet (State Commission on Hydrometeorology). On board the ship there was a scientific expedition of Goskomgidromet, which was preparing to evacuate "SP-28", and along the route it was carrying out investigations. It was also possible here to examine the teamwork. What went well, and what did not, where help was needed, and what kind of recommendations there were. I became acquainted with these questions firsthand, which means, I had hands-on contact with many of the problems. The commission will make decisions from this.

I would especially like to note, that the difficulties which arose were overcome jointly by the Captain of the "Rossiya", A. Lamekhov, and the deputy director of AANII (the Arctic and the Antarctic Scientific Research Institute) N. Kornilov. Everyday meetings were conducted on the meteorological situation and the conditions of the approach to the drifting ice-floe, variants were discussed, how to remove the equipment and people more quickly, for delay meant serious danger. In a word, the days were extremely busy, but there was no regret in participating in the difficult voyage.

Yes, the trip was completed and the polar explorers, we know, were taken to Murmansk. Is it possible to tell in a little more detail how the trip