## GERMAN HO'S HEAD VISITS JMSA

Prof. Ehlers, President of the Federal Maritime and Hydrographic Agency, Federal Republic of Germany, visited Japan to attend the second meeting of IHO-WEND Committee held in Tokyo from 27 to 29 February 1996.

On 26 February, Prof. Ehlers as Chairman of the WEND Committee on behalf of the other participating members made a courtesy call on Mr. Yutaka Hatano, the Commandant of Japan Maritime Safety Agency at its Tokyo Headquarters.

President and Commandant discussed and exchanged views on various matters of common interest specially on the Law of the Sea, maritime safety affairs, development of Electronic Navigational Chart (ENC), and agreed on further cooperation in the field of maritime safety and hydrography between both the Agencies.

On the occasion of his visit to Japan, a lecture by Prof. Ehlers was organized by and held at JHD on 1

March. He lectured before a crowded audience in the Conference Hall of JHD, on "The Federal Maritime and Hydrographic Agency - An Essential Part of the German Maritime Administration", introducing and discussing its organiza-



Courtesy call on the Commandant of Japan Maritime Safety Agency 26 February 1996

tional functions and services as well as various aspects of general shipping, maritime safety, hydrographic services, marine environmental and marine scientific activities of the Agency, followed by a questions-and-answers session.



Lecture by Prof. Ehlers at JHD, 1 March 1996