

From left: Rear Admiral J.P. Clarke, Hydrographer of U.K., Captain W. Chua, Hydrographer of Singapore and Commodore Neil Guy, Director of Directing Committee, IHB in International ECDIS Conference

## 2ND SHARED MEETING 23RD - 24TH OCTOBER 1998 IN SINGAPORE

The 2nd SHARED Meeting was held just before the International ECDIS Conference at same venue. Participants at the Meeting included hydrographic officers from Australia, Chile, China, Hong Kong SAR, International Hydrographic Bureau(IHB), Indonesia, Japan, Malaysia, New Zealand, Philippines, Singapore, South Korea, United Kingdom, and USA.

The meeting discussed the extension of the SHARED programme to other ports by reviewing the coverage and availability of official electronic charts, especially for the main shipping routes and ports. The meeting agreed that three additional shipping routes would be included and they were: Japan - Korea to the Gulf; Japan - Korea to Australia; and, Singapore to Australia via Jakarta, Surabaya, Lombok Strait. This would extend the present SHARED route which covers South Hampton(UK) - Singapore - Hong Kong SAR to include other major ports and shipping routes.

## 9TH WORKSHOP ON MANAGING POTENTIAL CONFLICTS HELD IN JAKARTA

The 9th Workshop on Managing Potential Conflicts in the South China Sea was held in Jakarta, Indonesia on 1-3 December 1998.

During Session IV on December 3rd 1998: Director General of Malaysian Hydrographic Department reported the Second Group of Experts meeting on Hydrographic Data and Information Exchange in the South China Sea held in Singapore, on October 20th 1998 to the Technical Working Group on Safety of Navigation, Shipping and Communication. The meeting were attended by Heads of Hydrographic Office from Indonesia, First Admiral Nicolas P. ELLO as well as participants of Organization Responsible for Hydrography in Non-Member States of IHO from around the South China Sea.