

now exposed to various survey instruments, survey methods and procedures in the field training of harbour and coastal surveys carried out with the cooperation of the Sixth Regional Maritime Safety Headquarters in Hiroshima Port, for one month from July to August. They will also be engaged in the practical training of offshore hydrographic survey aboard the Survey Vessel SHOYO in the southern seas of Japan for about one week in October 1987.

New Group Training Course in Nautical Charting

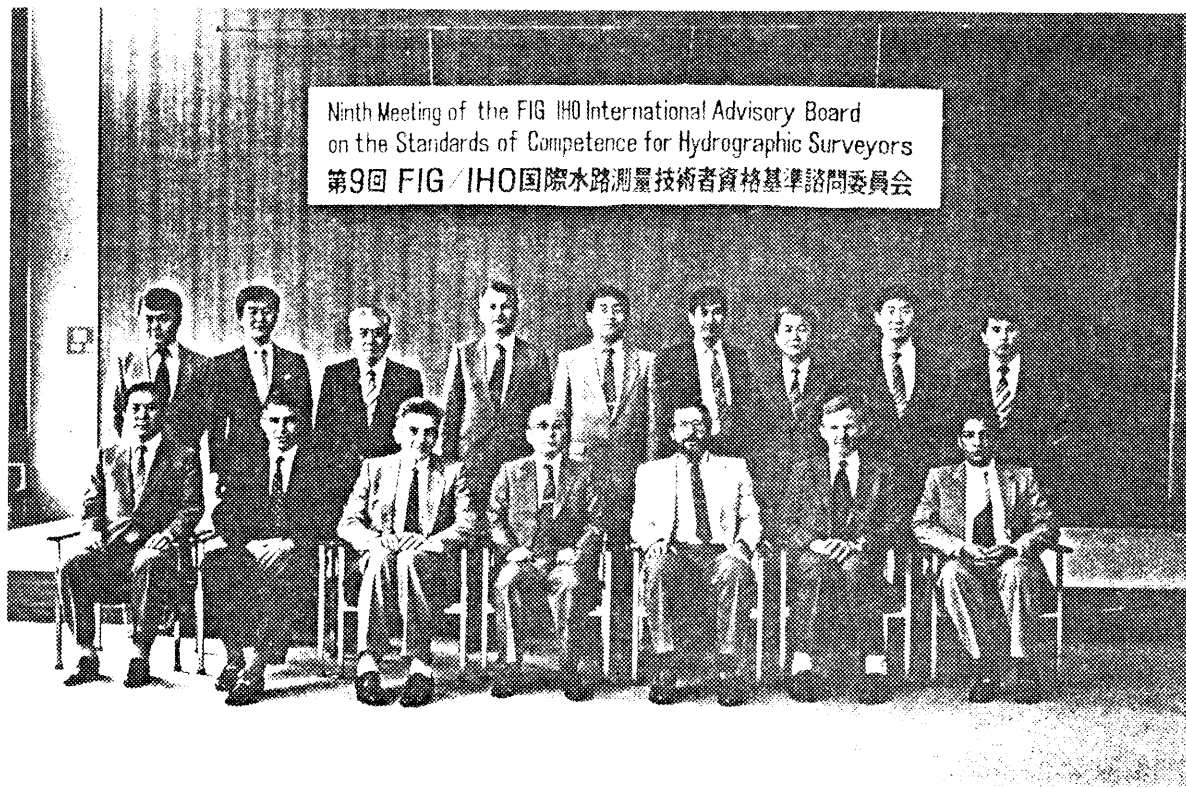
A new group training course in nautical charting will be conducted at the Hydrographic Department of Japan under the sponsorship of JICA from this year. This new course will be held every other year alternately with the Physical Oceanographic Survey Course the latter which will, accordingly, be conducted in fiscal 1988. There will be eight seats for the participants from the developing countries. The duration of the course will be about three and a half months.

INTERNATIONAL MEETINGS HELD IN TOKYO IN 1986

FIG/IHO Advisory Board on Standards of Competence for Hydrographic Surveyors

The IXth meeting of the Advisory Board was held at the Hydrographic Department in Tokyo, 12-17 May. The members of the Board attended were:

Mr. Adam J. Kerr, IHO (Canada) (Chairman)
Mr. Suk Woo Lee, FIG (Republic of Korea)
Cdr. Eugenio J.F. Neiva, IHO (Brazil)
Mr. Peter Guyu Odling-Smee, FIG (UK)
Mr. Shoichi Oshima, IHO (Japan)
Cdr. N.N. Sathaye, IHB (Secretary)



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The main items discussed were:

- Standardization of review procedure;
- Decisions on pending approvals of submissions (the Hydrographic Specialist Programme of CHS has been approved - Category A);
- Review of course submissions (the Hydrographic Course of the Japanese Maritime Safety School - Category B and the Qualification course in Hydrography of Italy - Category A have been approved);
- Amendments to the Standards.

4th EAHC Conference

The 4th Conference of the East Asia Hydrographic Commission was held in Tokyo from 17 to 20 September. All six Member Countries were represented by their Hydrographers, i.e. Commodore Sriwaskito (Indonesia), Dr. Takahiro Sato (Japan), Mr. Chang-Won Kim (Korea), Captain Mohd Rasip bin Hassan (Malaysia), Commodore Ananias A.