

#### **NEW MEMBER OF EAHC**

As of 27 August 1988, **the People's Republic of China** became the member of the East Asia Hydrographic Commission, Mr. Shen Xhicheng, Director, Maritime Safety Administration of Ministry of Communications representing the country at the Commission.

The participation of China in our EAHC is most welcome, and our activities will certainly be further strengthened towards the development of hydrography and the safety of navigation in our region.

#### **NEW CHIEF HYDROGRAPHER OF KOREA**

**Mr. LEE Heon-Seek** was appointed as Director General of the Office of Hydrographic Affairs, Ministry of Transportation, Republic of Korea, on 21 October 1987, relieving Dr. Mun-Son KIM. Born on 23 April 1947, he graduated the Seoul National University, and then studied Shipping Economics at the University of Wales in the United Kingdom. In March 1973, he passed the Higher Administration Civil Service Examination and joined the Ministry of Transportation (MOT) on June 1974. Then he served as planning and budget officer, MOT, until October 1987, when he was appointed as Director General, Office of Hydrographic Affairs, MOT. He also served as Director, Economic Cooperation Division of Korea Maritime and Port Administration (KMPA), Labor Policy Division of KMPA, Planning Division, Tourism Bureau, MOT, and Urban Transport Division, Land Transport Bureau, MOT.

#### **PHILIPPINE BCGS RENAMED**

The Bureau of Coast and Geodetic Survey (BCGS) has been merged with three other agencies to form the National Mapping and Resource Information Authority (NAMRIA), Department of Environment and Natural Resources, and is now called the Surveys Department of NAMRIA. All functions (hydrography, oceanography and geodetic services) of the BCGS is now vested with the Surveys Department.