Department of Maritime Safety Agency participated in the discussions on the topics of (1) Present status of marine pollution in Western Pacific Areas, (2) Oceanographic structures of Western

Pacific and their influences on global environmental surveys and investigations for the future. A technical tour was also organized to visit M.S.A. Research Center on 7 February.

EXCHANGE OF VISITS BY SURVEY VESSELS OF JAPAN AND KOREA

From 28 July to 2 August 1989, the Survey Vessel SHOYO (1,900 tons) of the Hydrographic Department of Japan visited the Port of Inchon, Republic of Korea, for the first time, by invitation of Mr. Kim, Kwang-Duck, then Chief Hydrographer of the Republic of Korea.

Mr. Takumi Mori, Director, Planning Division of the Hydrographic Department led a 15-member team on board, mostly comprising technical personnel of the Hydrographic Department. During the visit, a technical meeting on hydrography was held at the Office of Hydrographic Affairs (OHA) of Korea in Inchon to exchange views on the matters

of mutual concern, including exchange of ocean current data in the waters between Korea and Japan. In 1990, Dr. Takahiro Sato, Chief Hydrographer of Japan, sent an invitation to the OHA to send one of their survey vessels to visit Tokyo.

The Korean Survey Vessel PUSAN 801 (439.8 tons) visited the Port of Tokyo from 6 to 10 November 1990, for the first time. Mr. Kim Chang-Hoon, Director, Maritime Safety Division of OHA led a 32-member team on board. During their stay in Tokyo, the second hydrographic technical meeting was held at the Hydrographic Department of Japan.



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