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Port State Control

Hong Kong involvement in Tokyo MOU

It was well understood that the responsibility for ensuring ships complying with the provisions of the relevant instruments rests upon the shipowners, masters, the flag States and the recognized organizations. Unfortunately, certain flag States, for one reason or another, fail to fulfill their commitments contained in agreed international instruments and subsequently some ships are trading in an unsafe condition, threatening the lives of all those on board as well as the marine environment.

Port State control (PSC) comes into the scene when some shipowners, recognized organizations and flag State administrations have failed to comply with the requirements of the international maritime conventions. Although it is well understood that the ultimate responsibility for implementing conventions is left to the flag States, port States are entitled to control foreign ships visiting their own ports to ensure that any deficiencies found are rectified before they are allowed to sail. Port State control is a system of harmonized inspection procedures designed to target substandard ships with the main objective being their eventual elimination. It is also regarded as measures complementary to the flag State control.

In recent years, the importance of port State control has been widely recognized and there has been important movement in



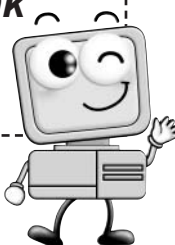
Mr. WK LEE (R) and Mr. Patrick CH TSO (L) representing Hong Kong, China at the 13th TMOU Committee Meeting

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various regions toward establishing a harmonised approach to the effective implementation of the control provisions. Up to this date, there are eight MOUs on port State control, namely, Paris MOU (Europe and North Atlantic region), Acuerdo de Vina del Mar (Latin American region), Tokyo MOU (Asia-Pacific region), Caribbean MOU (Caribbean region), Mediterranean MOU (Mediterranean region), Indian Ocean MOU (Indian Ocean region), Abuja MOU (West and Central African region) and Black Sea MOU (Black Sea region).

The Memorandum of Understanding on Port State Control in the Asia-Pacific Region, known as the Tokyo MOU, was concluded on 1 December 1993 in Tokyo. For the purpose of the Memorandum, a Port State Control Committee composed of a representative from each of the Authorities that have accepted the Memorandum was established. The Tokyo MOU currently has 18 member authorities and 12 observers.

Hong Kong joined the Tokyo MOU on 11 April 1994 and since then, has been actively involved and participated in all activities of the MOU, to enhance and improve port State control activities.

Hong Kong's involvement in the Tokyo MOU activities can be summarized as follows:

- i) Chairman of the Tokyo MOU Port State Control Committee from 1999 to 2002;
- ii) current Leader of the Action Group on Technical Co-operation; and

- iii) current member of the MOU Standing Working Group, the Action Group on Information Exchange, and the Inter-Sessional Group on PSC Manual and Operational Requirements.

Furthermore, Hong Kong has been invited by the Tokyo MOU on many occasions to:

- i) provide experts on training to PSC Officers for conducting PSC inspections according to local needs at their ports;
- ii) provide lecturers and participate in seminars organized by the Tokyo MOU to update technology and instruments used for PSC inspection and to harmonize the PSC procedures adopted by individual Authorities and to promote regional co-operation;
- iii) participate in PSCO Exchange Programme to achieve harmonization and to ensure uniform and conformable conduct of port State control in the region through learning from each other amongst PSCOs and Authorities; and



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iv) partake fellowship training in addition to the basic training and expert missions to enhance practical training and to promote port State control activities in the region.

The 13th annual meeting of the Port State Control Committee under the Tokyo MOU was held in Port Vila, Vanuatu from 23 to 26 February 2004. The Committee meeting was attended by representatives from 16 member Authorities as well as observers from Macau, USCG and EQUASIS and Vina Del Mar. The committee meeting was conducted under the Chairmanship of Mr. John Mansell from New Zealand. Mr. LEE Wai-kuen (Assistant Director / Shipping(Ag.)) and Mr. TSO Chi-hung, Patrick (General Manager/Ship Safety Branch (Ag.)) represented Hong Kong at the meeting.

Looking to the years ahead, Hong Kong will continue to make dedicated efforts to promote harmonization of port State control procedures throughout the region so as to achieve the ultimate objective of the elimination of substandard ships.

*Reported by: Mr. Patrick C H TSO, Sr. Surveyor,
Marine Department*

HKIMT & HKJB News

Marintec China 2003 – Exhibition and Conference at Shanghai

Hong Kong Joint Branch joined a delegation of eight with other Hong Kong institutes / societies to participate

Marintec China 2003 – Exhibition and Conference together with the 60th Anniversary ceremony event of Chinese SNAME, the preparatory meeting of the Pan-Asia Association of Maritime Engineering Societies (PAAMES) and the shipyard visit in Shanghai from 1 to 3 December 2003. The eight delegation representatives from Hong Kong institutes were Mr. Francis LAW, President of East Asia Division of IMarEST; Mr. HK LEUNG, Chairman of Hong Kong Joint Branch; Mr. Ernest CHAN, Chairman of Hong Kong Institute of Marine Technology; Mr. KS SZETO, Chairman of HKIE-MMNC and other office bearers Mr. Ho Shiu Fai and Dr. CW CHUEN, Mr. Michael KF LEE and Mr. Alan CM TSANG.

60th Anniversary of the Chinese SNAME

The event was held in Sofitel Jin Jiang Oriental Hotel in the morning of 1 December 2003. There were about 100 participants including the delegations from Hong Kong, Chinese SNAME from many provinces of China and overseas maritime societies from Japan, Korea and UK. At the ceremony, The Deputy President of CSNAME gave a welcome speech and presented a brief speech on history of achievement of the society in the past and mentioned many challenging tasks ahead in developing China into 21st Century as one of the largest shipbuilding nations. There were souvenirs from various institutes / societies presented to CSNAME to mark the occasion. At the reception, office bearers of CSNAME and other provincial SNAMEs were met and exchanged ideas in enhancing future communication and technical exchanges. It is expected more activities with our Chinese counterpart would be organized in future.

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Pan-Asia Association of Maritime Engineering Societies (PAAMES)

The preparatory meeting for the 1st Inauguration Meeting of PAAMES was held in the afternoon with founding maritime societies members from China, Japan, Korea and Hong Kong. The prime objective of the PAAMES is to enhance cooperation among member countries in maritime cooperation and exchanges. More maritime societies in the Pacific region had shown interests to join. The prime objective of the PAAMES is to enhance cooperation amongst member countries in maritime cooperation and exchanges etc. The discussion topics



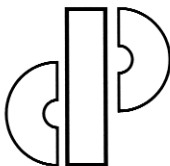
Members of Working Committee of the International Standing Committee of PAAMES

included matters relating to the setting up of executive committee, logo, membership and technical paper selection for the 4th conference etc. It is expected that the executive committee will move from member's country to country. A draft log for the 1st PAAMES was presented for comment. The meeting also touched upon APEC Engineers requirements and mutual recognition which would be referred to a working group for follow up action.

Marintec China & Port China 2003 – Exhibition and Conference

The Shanghai Society of Naval Architects and Marine Engineers (SSNAME), a highly respected industry association in China, has jointly organized the Shanghai Marintec 2003 with Sea trade (Asia) Ltd, its 12th repeating event spanning over two decades. The China Maritime Conference and Exhibition is one of the most important maritime event in China. This biennial exhibition and conference has grown substantially since its inception in 1981. The exhibition continues to enjoy the endorsement of senior government officials and the support of major maritime organizations in China and overseas.

The 2003 exhibition was held at International Exhibition Centre of Shanghai Putong. The opening ceremony was held in the morning of 2 December 2003 with many representatives from all over the world. The exhibition this time was held at the International Centre of Shanghai Putong, which attracted over 22,000 quality trade buyers and over 750 participating companies from over 30 countries/regions to attend.



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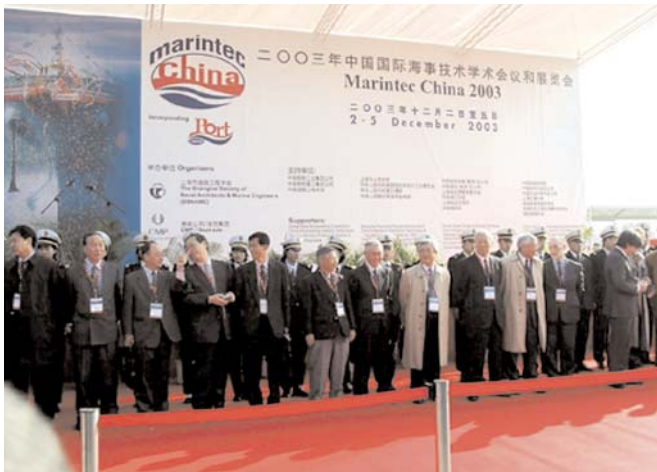
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The Conference held in the Sofitel Jin Jiang Oriental Hotel started in the afternoon together with the “Port China” and the “Senior Maritime Forum”; which reflected the vigorous progress in China’s shipbuilding, shipping and port industries under the guidance of the reform and opening up policies of China. A total number of 22 papers on the topics of shipbuilding, port management and marine technology were presented at the Conference.

would eventually become the number one shipbuilding power in the world. One of the conference papers given by a well known Hong Kong shipowner, Mr. LIANG Min Hang, had depicted the emerging opportunities that would arise for both Hong Kong and China in the shipping industry in the New Century as reported in last issue of MARINA.



Marintec China Opening Ceremony



HKJB and HKIMT delegates at Marintec China

The theme of the “Senior Maritime Forum” this year was “The Challenge and Strategy of the Global Maritime Industry in the New Century”. Apart from the keynote speeches by senior Chinese officials and representatives from major shipbuilding corporations and associations from Europe and Asia, the forum also covered other important topics in ‘Building Ships in China’, ‘Port Management’ and ‘Marine Technology’. The “Forum” projected with messages indicating the vigorous progress in China’s shipbuilding, shipping and port industries under the guidance of the reform and opening up policies would be a starting point to record the track of how China

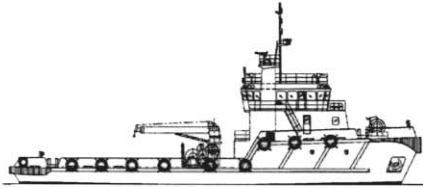
Through attending the Marintec 2003 Conference, the Branch connections with organizations and professionals in Mainland relating to maritime technology had been enhanced.

Shipyard Visit

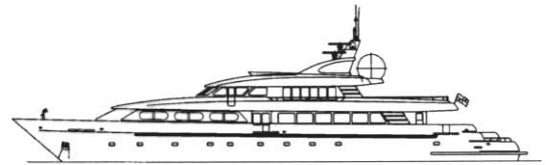
Shanghai SNAME had organized a shipyard visit for delegates from Hong Kong and overseas to the Shanghai Waigaoqiao Shipbuilding Corporation on 3 December 2003. It is one of the largest shipbuilding yard in China built a few years ago by phases of development. It is believed Shanghai, as the origin of ship building industries in China, would

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A Group Photo at the Shipyard

further step up its abilities in ship building and the related technologies with more modern shipyards' establishment and some old shipyards' reconstruction, to become an indispensable ship building base in the world.

Reported by: Ir. H.K. LEUNG and Michael LEE

Joint Branch AGM and Student Prize Ceremony 2004

The AGM of Hong Kong Joint Branch was held on 24 February 2004 and was attended by nearly 30 members and students. A student prize ceremony was held at the same time. There were three prizes for best students of maritime/ mechanical disciplines. The recipients were Mr. KWOK Chi Kwan and Mr. LO Yat Tak of High Diploma in Maritime Technology & Management from Hong Kong Institute of Vocational Education (Tsing Yi), and Mr. Yuen Kin Fai, B.Eng in Mechanical Engineering from University of Hong Kong. The Hon Treasurer

thanked the donors of student prizes Mr. WH FONG, Mr. YU Ying Wai and Mr. IM NG for their generosity in students' training.

In the AGM, Chairman Mr. HK LEUNG reported that "Despite the fear of Atypical Pneumonia over Hong Kong in 2003, the Joint Branch accomplished another fruitful year for the 2003-04 session to provide activities in achieving the objectives of the Hong Kong Joint Branch (HKJB). Most of these activities were jointly organized with the Hong Kong Institute of Marine Technology (HKIMT), and some of them



The HKJB Chairman delivering his speech

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Prize winners with the HKJB Chairman

through co-operation of other local and overseas maritime organizations. "

He further went on "During the session 2003/04, the HKJB held six committee meetings, 1 AGM, 3 local technical paper meeting / visits, 3 overseas symposiums / conferences, 3 student career talk / prize presentation and 5 social / networking events and other publication / representations. A list of summarized event is given as information. Regarding future activities, the 4th Conference on New Ship and Marine Technology (New S-Tech 2004) concurrently with the 1st Pan Asian Association of Maritime Engineering Society (PAAMES) to be held in Shanghai on 26-29 October 2004. The HKJB needs continue support from members to make this Conference possible and a success."

In his concluding remark, Mr LEUNG stated that "we did have a very busy tenure to try to offer as many programme as possible for the benefit of our members throughout the past one-year. I have to admit that the HKJB would not have accomplished the above achievements without the support from you. I would like to take this opportunity to thank our Committee Members especially the Chairmen of the Sub-Committee for their dedicated effort and contribution to the



The new HKJB Committee for 2004

HKJB. I am sure, with your continue support especially those members willing to serve the Council, the HKJB would accomplish even a greater success in the coming year. Thank you very much."

Reported by: Hon Secretary, Michael LEE



AGM in action

Article of Leisure

Baseball in Heaven?

Two buddies Bob and Earl were two of the biggest baseball fans in America.

Their entire adult lives, Bob and Earl discussed baseball history in the winter, and they pored over every box score during the season. They went to 60 games a year. They even agreed that whoever died first would try to come back and tell the other if there was baseball in heaven.

One summer night, Bob passed away in his sleep after watching the Yankee victory earlier in the evening. He died happy. A few nights later, his buddy Earl awoke to the sound of Bob's voice from beyond.

“Bob, Is that you?” Earl asked.

“Of course its me,” Bob replied.

“This is unbelievable!” Earl exclaimed.

“So tell me, is there baseball in heaven?”

“Well, I have some good news and some bad news for you. Which do you want to hear first?”

“Tell me the good news first.”

“Well, the good news is that yes there is baseball in heaven, Earl.”

“Oh, that is wonderful! So what could possibly be the bad news?”

“You’re pitching tomorrow night.”

Extracted from jokesandhumor.com

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The Joint Branch Committee shall manage the business of the Branch, furtherance the Objects of the parent bodies, promote the activities and to increase the membership of the parent bodies. It shall hold regular meetings at least once every two months. It shall give directions and advice to various sub-committees where necessary and to maintain an updated circulation list of the members in Hong Kong.

Joint Branch Committee

(18 members, excluding Immediate Past-Chairman and ex officio)

Committee Office Bearers:-

Committee Chairman,
Vice Committee-Chairman
Hon Secretary
Assistant Hon Secretary
Hon Treasurer

Committee members:-

Immediate Past-chairman
Sub-Committee Chairmen (4 persons)
Sub-Committee Vice-chairmen (4 persons)
Sub-Committee members as required
Representative from parent bodies HQ

Within the Branch Committee, it shall run following **Sub-Committees:-**

1. Education & Students Affairs Sub-Committee (ESSC)
2. Publicity Publications & PRC Liaison Sub-Committee (PLSC)
3. Public-social Relations Sub-Committee (PRSC)
4. Technical Meeting Sub-Committee (TMSC)

Roles of Office Bearers / Committee Officers:-

Committee Chairman is the chief executive who is responsible to lead the committee on each year's activities and commitments; to set goals and targets for the well being of the local members and the Institute; to arbitrate discussion, gather consensus, and to cast the tie-breaking vote at meetings when necessary.

Vice Committee-Chairman is the assistant to the Committee Chairman and may act on his behalf when so delegated or at his absence.

Hon Secretary is responsible for taking minutes during each meeting of the committee and communicating with HQ London, the secretaries of all sub-committees, committee members, and local members, and to coordinate membership interviews.

Assistant Hon. Secretary is the assistant to the Hon Secretary and may act on his behalf when so delegated or at his absence; to maintain the updated local membership list and their circulation addresses / contacts; to maintain an updated list of local shipping / maritime organisations contact list.

Hon Treasurer is responsible for all payments for agreed / approved expenditures and accounting aspect of the committee.

Sub-Committee Chairman is the leader of each sub-committee who is responsible to lead the sub-committee on each year's activities and functions and to set goals and targets for the well being of the local members and the Institute for council's approval; to arbitrate discussion, gather consensus, and to cast the tie-breaking vote at meetings when necessary.

Vice Sub-Committee-Chairman is the assistant to the Sub-Committee Chairman and may act on his behalf when he is so delegated or at his absence. He is also responsible for taking minutes during each meeting and communicate with members of the respective sub-committee. A copy of the meeting extract together with any suggested discussion agenda should be forwarded to Hon Secretary at least two weeks before each committee meeting.

Commitments to Committee/Sub-Committee Meetings

Each of the above sub-committee should hold meeting at least once every two months at place time chosen themselves. Any member who fails to attend 3 meetings consecutively shall be automatically ceased to be committee/ sub-committee member. Another member or co-opt member shall be nominated to take his place at the discretion Chairman of each committee or sub-committee .

The Role of Joint Branch Committees:-

To co-ordinate and run the Branch committee / sub-committee activities. It shall hold regular meetings at least every two months. It shall give direction and advice to various sub-committees where necessary and to maintain update circulation list of members in Hong Kong.

Term of reference for Various Sub-Committees-

1. Education & Students Affairs Sub-Committee (ESSC)

To co-ordinate resources for the development of local professionals in relation to education and training, to co-ordinate awards or scholarships where necessary, to co-ordinate interview matters relating to applicants for membership.

To co-ordinate students activities such as student projects presentation, technical visits and organize career talks to schools, technical and tertiary institutes

2. Publicity Publications & PRC Liaison Sub-Committee (PLSC)

To express professional views in public relating to maritime safety and marine environmental protection matters where necessary so as to fulfil our professional role and commitment to the society and public, to issue MARINA on quarterly basis and to co-ordinate the issue of DIVISIONAL NEWSLETTERS on need basis.

To co-ordinate periodic meetings with PRC counterpart and related professional bodies for holding periodic technical exchanges or meeting, visits, etc., to co-organize seminars when necessary.

To co-ordinate with parent bodies on Branch activities and forward reports to parent bodies for publication as necessary

3. Public-social Relations Sub-Committee (PRSC)

To organize social events as appropriate including the Annual Ball, to initiate public relation with Hong Kong Shipowners Association, Classification societies, shipping companies and maritime related organizations.

4. Technical Meeting Sub-Committee (TMSC)

To organize 6 to 10 technical paper meetings per year and one seminar each year; to prepare souvenir plaques for presenters, invite guest speakers and prepare circular for distribution; to prepare technical meeting venues.

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Members: Mr. I. M. NG, Mr. Michael LEE, Mr. LEE W K
Mr. CHENG Y M, Mr. CHAN W K Ernest

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Vice Chair: Mr. TSANG C M Alan

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