



PACS Forum

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The twenty-sixth Pacific Area Senior Officer Logistics Seminar (PASOLS) meeting was held in Vancouver, Canada from 5 to 9 August 1997. This year's theme was "Logistics Cooperation - Technology Solutions" and was attended by 125 participants including 32 general/flag officers or equivalent. Most PACS participating countries were represented. Vanuatu was inducted as the 21st member nation of PASOLS.



lications, are now in place, but for PACS to be successful the momentum must be maintained. The Report stressed the need for the new PACS Forum to set aims and objectives and to produce tangible "products".

Mr Rick Grove, Director of the Canadian NCB, gave a presentation on the development of PACS and his impressions of the enthusiasm and national commitment shown by PACS representatives.

He also spoke on implementation issues facing countries wishing to adopt the NCS.

Mr Jim Burns' Final Chairman's Report was presented by Captain Cory Beentjes RNZN. The report covered the activities of the five PACS Working Group meetings, including the last three implementation meetings, and concluded that the aims and objectives of the PACS Working Group had been met. The basic framework, the protocols and pub-

The PASOLS LSG considered the recommendations of the PDC and approved the formation of the PACS Forum to replace the previous working group, and deferred a decision on a permanent cell to manage PACS.

PASOLS is on the Web
<http://203.63.242.27/pashome.htm>



PACS Forum in Kuala Lumpur

The first annual meeting of the PACS Forum will be held in Kuala Lumpur during the period Tuesday 17 to Thursday 19 March 1998.

To enable our Malaysian hosts to begin to plan for the meeting, it would be appreciated if delegates could advise me of the numbers attending as soon as possible. All participants are urged to attend as this

inaugural meeting will decide the future direction and impetus of PACS.

The Forum will consist of a mix of PACS business, presentations and national case studies. In preparing an agenda I will be contacting potential presenters with suggested topics. If you have a favourite topic or project you would like to share, let me know.