

BIOGRAPHIC NOTES
M. WILLIAM A. O'NEIL

Mr. O'Neil was born on June 6, 1927 in Ottawa, Ontario. He has graduated in Civil Engineering from the University of Toronto, and, shortly after, joined the Federal Department of Transport as an engineer. In 1975, Mr. O'Neil was named the first commissioner of the Canadian Coast Guard, with responsibilities for all Coast Guard activities throughout Canada. In this capacity, he was named in 1981 Honorary Commodore in the Canadian Coast Guard.

Mr. O'Neil has been involved in IMO affairs since 1972. He was elected Chairman of the IMO Council in 1979 and has since remained in this position. Mr. O'Neil was also appointed, in 1983, to the Board of Governors of the World Maritime University in Malmo, Sweden.

Mr. O'Neil currently holds the position of President of the St. Lawrence Seaway Authority. He is married and father of three children.