

Marine Co-Op Program

The effects of pollution and other ecological factors on marine resources will be the theme of future activities carried out by the ASEAN-Canada Co-operative Program on Marine Science.

This topic will be the central feature of the program's upcoming inter-regional workshop being held this June in Phuket, Thailand.

The program, which is supported by a C\$900,000 Canadian government grant, has already successfully implemented three major activities: placing three ASEAN post-graduate students in Canadian university courses; organizing an ASEAN study tour which visited government and private marine-related research institutions in Canada; and sending a Canadian advisory team to ASEAN late last year.

The Canadian team identified marine science subjects for discussion at the Phuket workshop and another meeting to be held next February in Malaysia.

At that meeting, the agenda will include: environmental monitoring of marine pollution; developments of environmental standards; marine resource contamination; and plankton studies.

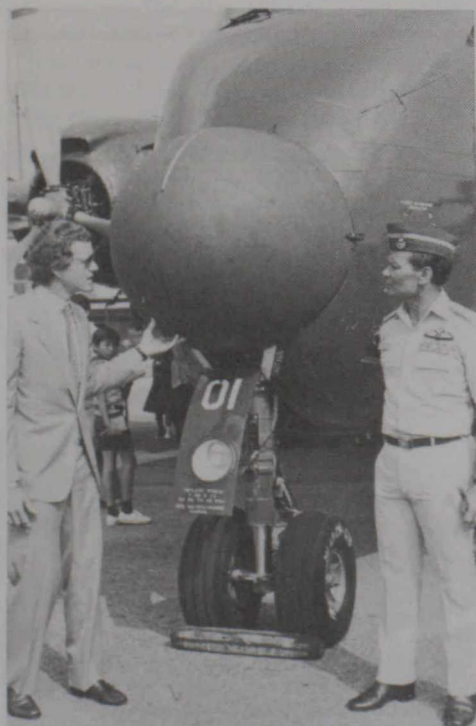


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Phuket, renowned for its scenic wonders both above and below the water's surface, is the site of the next meeting on marine resources.

Around the Region

MALAYSIA



High Commissioner von Nostitz and Brigadier General Yunus inspect the 21 year old Caribou.

Caribou Plane Celebrated

In March 1966, the Royal Malaysian Airforce (RMAF) took delivery of 18 new deHavilland Caribou Transport Aircraft. The RMAF's first Caribou, which is still in operation today, was flown over the Atlantic through difficult weather conditions by a young pilot who is now RMAF Commander, Air Support Command Brigadier General Dato Mohd Yunus.

Some 21 years later, 14 of the Caribous continue to be the dependable and popular workhorse of the Airforce.

To commemorate the Caribous' impressive service record, the RMAF staged a special public celebration featuring formation flying, short take-off and landing demonstrations and parachute drops over Simpang Military Airport in the heart of Kuala Lumpur.

The deHavilland Aircraft Company of Canada has been designing and building aircraft for over 50 years. The company has earned a worldwide reputation as a producer of rugged, reliable, efficient equipment that can operate in all environ-

mental extremes with a minimum of support services and equipment.

For more than 20 years, the Caribou has demonstrated in Malaysia the ability to carry large payloads into and out of short semi-prepared airstrips. The Caribou's operational success is in part due to deHavilland's support throughout the life of the aircraft, emphasizing spare parts provision; technical specialist assistance; problem analysis and advice; as well as preparation and supply of special repair data.

In addition to the Caribou, deHavilland has sold to the Malaysian Airline System a number of twin-engined Otter aircraft. The company is also now marketing throughout the ASEAN region the Dash 8 short haul turbo prop aircraft which incorporates the latest digital avionics and is lighter, more reliable and less costly to maintain than previous models. Like other deHavilland aircraft, it is backed by deHavilland's experienced reliable worldwide customer support system.