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To: All WMU staff and to Members of the  
Student Council Executive Board

From: Rector

New Rector at WMU

The WMU Chancellor, Mr. C.P. Srivastava has announced that the Principal of the Australian Maritime College (AMC) D.M. Waters has accepted to succeed Mr. Erik Nordström as Rector of WMU. Mr. Nordström will leave end of 1989 and Captain Waters is expected to join by mid-March 1990.

Captain Waters has been associated with WMU since its foundation as Member of the Board of Governors and also a Member of the Executive Council of WMU. Captain Waters was also a Member of the Academic Review Team of WMU and has been a Visiting Professor to the University ever since its inauguration in 1983.

Captain Waters is the foundation Principal of the Australian Maritime College. He is an Australian citizen but was born in 1929 in northern Scotland. Before migrating to Australia in 1966 he was a lecturer at Plymouth Polytechnic and the University of Strathclyde - following extensive sea-going experience.

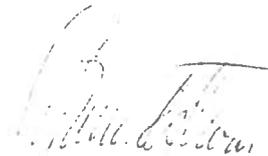
Prior to his appointment as Principal of AMC in 1978; he served in the Federal Department of Transport, gaining experience as a Marine Surveyor and Principal Examiner of Masters and Mates, and subsequently in general maritime administration.

In 1970 Captain Waters was awarded a Commonwealth Government Post Graduate Scholarship to investigate how Australia's maritime education and training needs could best be met. Following the Government's decision in 1974 to establish a national maritime training institution, the AMC was created by Federal legislation in 1978. It is now one of the major maritime training institutions in the world.

Captain Waters holds an Extra Master Certificate of Competency and a Master of Science degree of the University of Wales (U.K.).

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In my opinion the Chancellor could not have made a better choice. Captain Waters is an eminently qualified and very experienced person who has the added advantage of having had a very close link to the University since its inauguration which was no doubt one of the reasons why he was chosen to become a member of the important Academic Review Team. I am personally very pleased indeed that he has been chosen to succeed me and I hope and trust that you will all give him the support and assistance which he deserves.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read 'Erik Nordström', written in dark ink.

Erik Nordström