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The Commission of the European Economic Community has appointed  $\underline{\text{M. Paolo Rho}}$  Director-General of Transport in succession to  $\underline{\text{M. Bruno Minoletti.}}$ 

At the time of his appointment M. Rho was Inspector in Chief of the Italian State Railways having special duties in the Director-General's office.

M. Rho joined the railway administration in 1947, becoming head of the International Freight Rates Department, later head of the Secretariat of the Director of the Commercial Service, and finally head of the Secretariat of the Assistant Director-General. In this last capacity he took part in many international meetings, notably those organized by the Economic Commission for Europe (ECE), the International Union of Railways (IUR) and the railway tariff conferences.

From October 1958 to November 1963, M. Rho was a head of Division with the Commission of the European Economic Community. When he left this post the Commission conferred on him the title of Honorary Director.

